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T. M.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *29th May, 1913.*

Sir,

I am to request your attendance at a Special Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark to be held within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 11th June, 1913, at Two o'clock afternoon,* for the purpose, *inter alia,* of considering, and if so agreed, resolving to oppose the following Provisional Order or Private Bill (Scottish Office), viz:—

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification:—"To extend the boundaries of the Burgh of Motherwell and the compulsory limits of water supply; to confer further powers as to water supply; to construct and maintain sewers and sewage purification works; to acquire lands; to borrow money; and for other purposes,"

of all which Notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1899, and of the Act 35 and 36 Vict. cap. 91.

A Print of the Minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee relative to the above-named Order or Bill will be sent to you before the date of meeting.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,

Hamilton, *5th June*, 1913.

Sir,

I am to intimate that the County Council at their Special Meeting to be held at Glasgow, *on Wednesday next, 11th current, at 2 o'clock p.m.*, will, in addition to the business stated in the notice already sent to you, be asked to consider the following matters, viz.:—

(1) Minutes of the Elections Committee, of date 4th current, containing *inter alia* suggestions for an alteration or modification of the proposals submitted to the last meeting of the County Council with regard to the re-adjustment of the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward;

(2) A proposal to authorise the Standing Joint Committee to acquire, should they see fit, sites for police stations at (1) Burnside, (2) Bishopbriggs, (3) Baillieston, and (4) Mount Vernon; and to instruct the preparation of plans for the erection of police stations at the several places named and to take estimates; and

(3) A further communication from the District Committee of the Lower Ward with regard to the salary of the District Clerk and Treasurer.

There will be sent to you before the date of meeting copies of the Minutes of the Elections Committee and of the communication from the Lower Ward District Committee above referred to.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW

(ENTRANCE BY 40 WILSON STREET),

On WEDNESDAY, 11th JUNE, 1913,

AT TWO O'CLOCK AFTERNOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 21st May and 4th June, 1913, relating to Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill—

   If so agreed, resolve to oppose the above Provisional Order or Private Bill, and remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee, with the full powers of the Council, to take such action as they may consider advisable in the interests of the County.

5. Proposed acquisition of sites for New Police Stations at (1) Bishopbriggs, (2) Burnside, (3) Baillieston, and (4) Mount Vernon, and erection of Stations—

   If so agreed, remit to Standing Joint-Committee with powers to acquire sites, prepare plans, and take estimates.

6. Further communication from District Committee of Lower Ward regarding salary of District Clerk and Treasurer.

7. Minutes of Committee on Elections, of date 4th June, 1913—

   If so agreed, approve of recommendation of Committee.

8. By-laws regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment—

   Report Judgment of Justiciary Court in case of Ferrucio Lena.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 21st May, 1913, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 21st May, 1913.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
Colonel BUCHANAN.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
JAMES HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.
WILLIAM LOVE.
WILLIAM M. MARSHALL.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Attending—

W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from Colonel King Stewart and Mr. Anderson. *Apologies for absence*

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 4th April, which had been approved of by the County Council on 8th May, were signed by the chairman. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of the following sub-committees, which had also been approved of by the County Council on 8th May, were held as read and confirmed, viz.:—Blantyre Gas, of date 9th April; Lanarkshire Tramways, of date 9th April; and Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, of dates 11th and 23rd April. *Minutes of sub-committees.*

The Clerk reported the proceedings at a meeting of the Sub-Committee on the proposed Extension of the Burgh of Renfrew, held on 7th May, as set forth in the minute of that meeting (Appendix). The committee approved. *Proposed extension of Burgh of Renfrew.*

The Clerk reported that after an Inquiry, commencing on 29th April and lasting three days, the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order had been unanimously passed by the Commissioners substantially in the form of the Filled-up Order. The Draft Order as modified had been printed, and a copy was laid before the meeting. By various clauses in the Order important powers had been conferred upon the County Council and the District Committee, and in particular a uniform period of 50 years is to be allowed for repayment of monies borrowed. On this point the Commissioners had made a special report in favour of the proposal, but the actual terms of the clause relating to borrowing had still to be adjusted with the Scottish Office. The Commissioners also passed Clause 32 of the Draft Order, giving the Middle Ward District Committee power to lay mains outwith the limits of supply, but subject to further consideration and approval of the clause by the Secretary for Scotland. A fuller report upon the Order would be made after the Scottish Office had passed the Order. *Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order.*

The chairman on behalf of the committee expressed gratification at the result of the proceedings before the Commissioners, and referred to the very efficient and willing services which had been rendered by the Convener of the County and by the County

Clerk and other officials, and moved that a record of the committee's appreciation of these services be inserted in the minutes. This was unanimously agreed to.

The Clerk on behalf of the officials thanked the committee for the kind references made by the chairman, and also expressed his sense of his indebtedness to Mr. Whyte, the District Clerk, for the manner in which he had co-operated with him in carrying through the Order, and for the valuable assistance he had rendered throughout the whole proceedings.

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order.

There was laid before the meeting a print of the Draft Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order. The Clerk explained that this Order, which was being promoted during the current session by the Town Council of Motherwell, had for its objects, *inter alia*, to extend the Burgh to include two County areas having a *cumulo* valuation of £30,582 10s.; to disjoin from the Middle Ward Water District the area added to the Burgh in 1908 and the districts now proposed to be annexed; to convert the options which the Middle and Upper Ward District Committees presently have to take supplies of water from the Town Council into an obligation to do so; and to make further provision for sewage purification. He stated that the proposals of the Order so far as they related to the proposed interference with the rights of the County Council and the District Committee under the Middle Ward District Water Acts were in principle the same as had been successfully resisted by the County Council and the District Committee in the Parliamentary proceedings on the Motherwell Burgh Bills of 1900 and 1908, and in the abandoned Burgh Bill of 1909; that the Order made no adequate provision for compensating the County Council for the loss which would result if either the proposals relating to Water Supply or to Burgh Extension were agreed to or granted, and that it contained a number of other provisions that would be to the prejudice of the County Council and the County ratepayers. The proposal to compel the District Committees of the Upper and Middle Wards to take compulsorily the supplies made available to them at their discretion by the Burgh Act of 1900 would, in the present circumstances of those districts, involve them in a heavy annual charge for water for which they have no need.

The meeting unanimously agreed to recommend the County Council to oppose the Order, and instructed the Clerk meantime to lodge a Petition against the Order on behalf of the County Council and the District Committees of the Middle and Upper Wards, and to take such other steps as might be necessary.

Representation to be made to chairmen.

The Clerk was also instructed to have a representation made to the Chairmen of Committees that further procedure in regard to the Order should in view of the nature of its provisions be by way of Private Bill.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

The meeting took into consideration the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, of which copies had been issued to members along with Notes thereon by the Clerk. The Clerk also read letters from Mr. Anderson and Mr. Marshall drawing attention to the provisions of particular clauses.

On the motion of Mr. Hamilton, it was agreed to remit the Bill to the following sub-committee: — The Chairman, and Messrs. Anderson, Buchanan, Hamilton, Houldsworth, Lockhart, Love, Marshall, Neilson, and Hope Vere.

Mental Deficiency and Lunacy (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk explained to the meeting that a Bill entitled the Mental Deficiency and Lunacy (Scotland) Bill had been introduced into the House of Commons by the Secretary for Scotland, supported by the Lord Advocate, and had been ordered to be printed. The Bill was put down for Second Reading on 27th May, but although he had applied for prints of the Bill, these were not yet available. He was therefore unable to report as to the exact terms of the measure, but if the forecast were accurate, a very serious change in the system of administration of the Lunacy Acts was contemplated. He understood that in effect the Bill provided for the abolition of the present District Lunacy Boards and the election in their place of new Boards (to be called District Boards of Control) by the Chairmen of Parish Councils of Parishes and the Chairmen of School Boards of School Districts within the Lunacy District, in accordance with Regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary for Scotland.

The meeting were unanimously of opinion that steps should be taken to oppose the Bill if it was found that its proposals were as above indicated, and appointed the following Sub-Committee to deal with the Bill and to take such steps as might be necessary in the matter, viz.:—The Chairman, and Messrs. Adam, Fenton, Hamilton, Marshall, Neilson, King Stewart, Templeton, and Hope Vere, the Clerk being meantime authorised to take such action as he could to secure that the Bill was not proceeded with until time had been afforded for its fuller consideration.

APPENDIX.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE BURGH OF RENFREW.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 7th May, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed regarding the proposed Extension of the Burgh of Renfrew. 7th May, 1913.

Present—

George Fraser. | William Neilson.
D. Kinloch Michie. | William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.

Colonel King Stewart was appointed chairman of the committee. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk read the remit to the committee, which was in the following terms:— *Remit.*

"There was submitted the following letter from the Town-Clerk of Renfrew, viz.:—

"Town-Clerk's Office,
"Renfrew, 21st January, 1913.

"Dear Sir,

"BOUNDARIES.

"I shall be glad if you could arrange for a meeting of your committee with my sub-committee to discuss proposals to include within the boundaries of the Burgh of Renfrew that detached portion of the County of Lanark lying between the eastern boundaries of the Burgh and the extended boundary of the City of Glasgow.

"Yours faithfully,
(Signed) "ANDREW R. HARPER.

"Thomas Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

In this connection the Clerk explained that under the recent Glasgow Boundaries Act the whole of the South Govan District had been annexed to the City of Glasgow, with the exception of the small portion comprising the lands of Deanside. These lands were purely agricultural, and the Electoral Division had practically disappeared, as there were only six County electors left in the County area.

The Clerk reminded the committee that in 1898 the Burgh of Renfrew had proposed to annex these lands or parts of them under a Bill which was being promoted that session for the purpose of obtaining power to form a dock, but that the Bill had been dropped. Various negotiations had subsequently taken place between the Burgh of Renfrew and the County Council, as a result of which it had been practically agreed that this area should be ceded to the Burgh of Renfrew provided suitable terms could be adjusted.

The committee agreed to remit to a sub-committee to meet representatives of the Burgh of Renfrew to discuss the proposal, and to report. The following sub-committee was appointed:—The Convener, Vice-Convener, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Speirs, with Mr. Michie."

Particulars of Valuation &c., submitted.

The Clerk also submitted particulars of the valuation of the area proposed to be handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew, with an estimate of the County Debt effeiring to the area and of the compensation which it would be proper to ask from the Burgh of Renfrew.

Deputation received.

The Town Council of Renfrew had been invited to send representatives to this meeting, and a deputation which was in attendance then entered the meeting.

Provost Anderson on behalf of the deputation explained the views of his Town Council as to the desirability of the area being handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew, and referred to the previous negotiations on the subject.

The chairman explained to the deputation that the sub-committee were favourably disposed to entertain the proposal that the area should be handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew subject to payment of compensation which he indicated should be assessed on the basis on which compensation was paid by the City of Glasgow to the County Council under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912. On this footing and subject to verification of certain figures the total sum to be paid by the Burgh of Renfrew to the County Council would probably be £200.

County's terms acceptable to Burgh of Renfrew.

The deputation having indicated that these terms would be acceptable to the Burgh of Renfrew, thanked the sub-committee for their reception and withdrew.

The sub-committee thereafter unanimously agreed to report to the Parliamentary Bills Committee that in their opinion a recommendation should be made to the County Council that the area in question be handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew subject to payment of compensation in respect of debt and all other claims, as this might be finally adjusted on the basis mentioned above.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At Glasgow, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 4th June, 1913, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th June, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.	William M. Marshall.
James Anderson.	William Neilson.
Colonel Buchanan.	Gavin A. Shanks.
James H. Fenton.	William Sym.
George Fraser.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting*

Apologies for absence were intimated from Colonel King Stewart, Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, and Mr. Love. *Apologies.*

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 21st May, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported the proceedings at a meeting of the Sub-Committee on the Lanark County Tramways, held on this date, as set forth in the minute of that meeting (Appendix II.). The committee approved. *Lanark County Tramways.*

The Clerk also reported that, as instructed at last meeting of the committee, he had lodged a Petition against the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order on behalf of the County Council and the District Committees of the Upper and Middle Wards. He had also prepared Notes (Appendix I.) on the points in the Order which affected the County interests, as generally explained by him verbally at last meeting. Prints of the Petition and of these Notes had been sent to each member of the committee previous to this meeting. The committee agreed that the Notes should be laid before the County Council for its information. *Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Order.*

The time for lodging Petitions against the Motherwell Order had expired on 29th May last, and the following Petitions against the Order had been deposited :— *List of Petitions against Order.*

Isabella Addie and others.
Caledonian Railway Company.
Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company.
County Council of Lanark.
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell.
Lanarkshire Tramway Company.
Merry & Cuninghame.
Owners and Occupiers within the Middle Ward Water District, so far as within the Burgh of Motherwell.
Owners and Occupiers in the Parishes of Dalziel and Bothwell.
John Watson, Ltd.

Letter from Town-Clerk of Motherwell.

There was read to the meeting the following letter, of date 22nd May, 1913, which the Clerk had received from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell :—

"Town Hall,
"Motherwell, 22nd May, 1913.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"MOTHERWELL BURGH EXTENSION AND SEWAGE PURIFICATION PROVISIONAL ORDER.

"I am instructed by my Town Council to write you on the subject of their Provisional Order now proceeding before the Scottish Office, and which, if opposed, will shortly come up for enquiry; and to make the following proposals in the hope that the County Authorities will accept them with a view of avoiding a contest with the attendant expenses :—

I. To provide for the whole water supply of the Burgh being brought within the jurisdiction of the Burgh Local Authority, as proposed in the Provisional Order.

II. To limit the extension of the boundaries, proposed under this Order, to the part of the area added to the Burgh in 1908 by the decision of the House of Commons Committee, but which was struck out in the Second House by the Committee of the House of Lords.

III. The Sewage and Purification Works in the Order being remedial and necessary for carrying out the compulsory requirements of the Court should pass as proposed.

"With regard to the first point as to the water supply jurisdiction, it is hardly necessary that I should emphasise the fact that the Local Authority of the Burgh is, under the General Law, the water authority therein, nor need I do more than point out that it was an anomaly introduced into the Motherwell Burgh Extension Act, 1908, that the water supply was continued to the County though no longer the Local Authority in the added area, and that was done, as the proceedings show, on the representation of the County Authorities that the District Committee had themselves an ample and surplus supply of water for their requirements, and, but for that statement, my Council believe that the water supply would have followed the usual lines of transfer of jurisdiction in the case of burgh extensions.

"My Council think they may now point to the fact of the promotion, by the County and the District Committee, of the new water scheme in the present session, which formed the subject of enquiry at Edinburgh a few weeks ago, as distinctly negativing the contention of ample water supply in the County, and my Council also point out that, as you are well aware, they have ample and surplus water, more than sufficient to meet the whole requirements within the Burgh as proposed to be extended. My Council, therefore, think, and they are so advised, that the remedy they seek in their Order, with respect to the water jurisdiction, ought to be accepted by the County without any contest.

"With regard to the second point, while my Council are of opinion that the area which they seek by the Order to include in the Burgh is a reasonable proposal, and is justified by the circumstances of the area, they would be ready and now offer, with a view of avoiding expense, to limit the area to be added by this Order to that part of it which the House of Commons Committee in 1908 included but which the Lords Committee in the Second House disallowed.

"With regard to the third point, the Sewage and Purification Works, which are undertaken by Order of the Court in consequence of the action of the County, it does not seem necessary to state any further reasons in support thereof.

"I am further instructed to express the hope that the County Council and District Committee may see their way to fall in with these proposals, and so avoid the heavy expenses of an enquiry which will fall upon the ratepayers both in the county and in the burgh.

"Yours faithfully,
(Signed) "JAMES BURNS,
"*Town-Clerk.*"

Having considered the terms of the Town Clerk's letter, the committee unanimously agreed that the Clerk should be instructed to reply stating that the proposals contained in the letter are not such as the County Council can accept as a basis for negotiations, but that while the committee dispute the statements of fact and law put forward by the Town Clerk, if the Town Council have any other proposals to make the County Council will give these their careful consideration, and, if of opinion that they are of such a nature as can be accepted as a basis for further discussion, will, without prejudice to the rights of parties, be pleased to meet with representatives of the Town Council regarding them.

The sub-committee agreed to defer consideration of this matter meantime.

Extension of Glasgow Tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge. — Letter from Town-Clerk of Coatbridge.

There was submitted the following letter from the Town Clerk of Coatbridge:—

"Town Clerk's Office,
"Coatbridge, 30*th May*, 1913.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"GLASGOW CORPORATION TRAMWAYS.

"PROPOSED EXTENSION TO COATBRIDGE.

"With reference to the proposal of the Corporation of Glasgow to extend their tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge, I am directed by the Tramways Committee of my Council to ascertain whether the views of the County Council in regard to the proposal are as expressed in your letter to this office of 27th November, 1908.

"I shall be glad to hear from you at your early convenience.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "JNO. ALSTON,
"*Town Clerk.*
"p. W. S."

The Clerk reminded the committee that the decision of the County Council in the year 1908, referred to by the Town Clerk of Coatbridge in his letter, was to the following effect "That in view of the fact that the Town Council of Coatbridge were desirous that the Glasgow Corporation Tramways should be extended from Baillieston to Coatbridge, the County Council should not oppose any application by the Corporation for the necessary Parliamentary powers to enable them to carry out such an extension, provided that the road was suitable for the construction of tramways, and that conditions similar to those inserted at the instance of the County Council in connection with previous tramway extensions in the county were also inserted in the Provisional Order or Private Bill, authorising the extension." It was agreed before giving a definite reply to the Town Clerk of Coatbridge to appoint a sub-committee to further consider the matter, and report, with power to meet with representatives of other local authorities within whose territories extensions of the Tramway System of Glasgow Corporation were at present being contemplated. The following sub-committee was appointed:—The Convener, Vice-Convener, the Chairman, and Messrs Adam, Anderson, Buchanan, Shanks, and Hope Vere.

Plural Voters' Bill.—Extension of Polling Hours Bill.

The meeting took into consideration the Plural Voters Bill, and the Extension of Polling Hours Bill of which copies had been sent to members. It appeared that the provisions of the Plural Voters Bill were only applicable to Parliamentary Elections, and the Committee were of opinion that it was unnecessary to take any action regarding that measure. As regards the Extension of Polling Hours Bill the Clerk reported the steps that had been taken in connection with the Bill by the Association of County Councils, explained that the Standing Committee to which the House of Commons had remitted the Bill, had yesterday accepted an amendment excluding Scotland from the scope of the Bill, and in these circumstances nothing required to be done regarding the Bill in the meantime. He would, however, watch the future progress of the Bill in case any attempt should be made to extend the provisions of the Bill to Scotland. The Committee approved.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

NOTES

ON THE

MOTHERWELL BURGH EXTENSION AND SEWAGE PURIFICATION ORDER 1913.

This is an Order entitled "Provisional Order to extend the boundaries "of the Burgh of Motherwell, and the compulsory limits of water supply; "to confer further powers as to water supply; to construct and main- "tain sewers and sewage purification works; to acquire lands; to "borrow money; and for other purposes."

The preamble of the Order sets forth that the existing Burgh of Motherwell has a population of upwards of 40,000, which is rapidly increasing; that owing to the expansion of the industries of the Burgh the space available within the Burgh for the erection and extension of works has become limited, and works which are dependent upon the Burgh for their workmen have been erected outside, and contiguous to the existing boundaries; and that in these circumstances it is expedient that the boundaries of the Burgh should be extended to include the districts referred to in the Order.

The preamble further alleges that under the Motherwell Water (Additional Supply) Act, 1900, the Town Council has introduced an abundant water supply capable of providing water to the existing Burgh and the districts proposed to be annexed and sufficient for the supply of 80,000 persons in anticipation of the extension of the boundaries of the Burgh.

It narrates that under the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908, the Burgh boundaries were extended by the inclusion of a certain area previously under the jurisdiction of the County Council for all purposes of Local Government, and claims that the water supply of that area and of the districts to be annexed by the Order should be provided by the Town Council under their Act of 1900.

The preamble refers to the fact that under the Motherwell Water (Additional Supply) Act, 1900, the Town Council of Motherwell were required to give supplies of water to the District Committees of the Middle and Upper Wards, but that these District Committees were not required to take any supply, and contends that the Town Council being under this obligation, and having made provision to give such supplies of water, a reciprocal obligation should be laid upon the District Committees to take from the Town Council the respective quantities of water therein mentioned on the terms and conditions contained in the said Act of 1900.

The concluding paragraph of the preamble deals with the necessity for additional facilities for the treatment and disposal of the sewage of the Burgh.

From the preamble it thus appears that the principal objects of the Order are four, viz. :—

(1) To extend the boundaries of the Burgh ;

(2) To transfer from the Middle Ward Water District to the Water Supply District of the Burgh the areas annexed to the Burgh in 1908, and the areas now proposed to be annexed ;

(3) To compel the District Committees of the Middle and Upper Wards to take from the Town Council the supplies of water which they have at present an option to demand ; and

(4) To empower the Town Council to construct additional sewage purification works.

I. EXTENSION OF BURGH.

By Clause 5 it is proposed to extend the Burgh to include two districts, one situated to the north-east of the existing Burgh and the other to the north-west and west thereof.

The area situated to the north-east of the Burgh is within the Parish of Bothwell, extends to 124·2 acres or thereby, and has a valuation of £537 11s. Of this valuation, only £61 8s. is applicable to house property, the remainder of the valuation being applicable to lands, plantations, railways, and tramways. There are only six houses in the area, viz., Jerviston Mansion-House, and five houses, occupied by servants connected with the estate. The area to the north-west and west proposed to be annexed is to the extent of 882·6 acres situated within the Parish of Dalziel, and to the extent of 4·2 acres situated within the Parish of Bothwell. The valuation of this district is £30,044 19s., of which £2,344 is applicable to house property ; £3,020 10s. to public works ; £17,715 8s. to minerals and wayleaves ; £4,875 to railways and tramways ; the remainder of the valuation being made up of agricultural lands and plantations, public institutions, &c.

The total number of dwelling-houses within the area to the north-west and west of the Burgh is 243, of which 106 are situated within the Hamilton Road Drainage and Scavenging District, 111 in the miners' rows connected with Messrs. Merry & Cuninghame's Collieries, and 26 are odd houses throughout the area.

The total area proposed to be annexed to the Burgh is thus 1,011 acres, with a total valuation of £30,582 10s. The present area of the Burgh is 1,316 acres, of which 432 were added to the Burgh in 1908.

Clause 5 of the Order also provides that the description of the boundaries of the areas proposed to be added to the Burgh is to be subject to the Rules of Construction laid down in Section 5 of the Representation of the People (Scotland) Act, 1832. The effect of this would be that if the boundary line passed through any portion of a building the whole of that building would for the purpose of rating be held to be within the Burgh even although the greater portion of it might be actually within the County.

The areas proposed to be annexed are to be apportioned between and form part of the Second, Third, and Fourth Wards of the Burgh (Clause 10).

The annexation is to have effect as from the date of the passing of the Act confirming the Order, but notwithstanding this, the Town Council are to levy within the districts proposed to be annexed the rates and assessments imposed upon the existing Burgh as amended by the Order for the year from Whitsunday, 1913, to Whitsunday, 1914, and are to pay over to the County Council the proportion corresponding to such period of the assessments which might have been imposed by the County Council within the districts to be annexed for the year from Whitsunday, 1913, to Whitsunday, 1914, had the Order not been passed (Clause 18). The Town Council thus seek to obtain not only the full Burgh Rates for the period subsequent to the annexation of the districts, but also to obtain the difference between the Burgh assessment and the County assessment for the period between 15th May and the date of commencement of the Order during which the districts will actually be situated within the County.

By Clause 19 it is proposed that the rates leviable on the occupiers of underground workings for minerals within the districts to be annexed and of all lands, buildings, and works occupied or used in connection therewith shall, for a period of nine years, from 15th May, 1913, be either the same rates as are levied in each year during the period by the County Council within the part of the County immediately adjoining the districts, or the same rates and assessments as are levied in each year during the same period by the Town Council within the Burgh, whichever shall be the less. This is obviously an inducement to overcome the opposition of the principal class of ratepayers who are likely to suffer most seriously by the annexation.

Clause 21 of the Order provides for the financial adjustment consequent on the annexation being regulated by Section 50 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as applied by Section 96 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903. In consequence of the interpretation which has been placed upon Section 50 of the Local Government Act of 1889 by the Courts in Scotland, it would be impossible for the County Council, under Clause 21, to obtain adequate compensation for the loss which would result from the annexation to the Burgh of the County area. The Clause ignores the recommendations made in 1911 by the Joint Select Committee of the House of Lords and of the House of Commons appointed to enquire into the application of the statutory provisions relating to financial adjustments consequent on the alteration of boundaries of the Local Government areas. These recommendations have been given effect to in practically all cases of the extensions of Cities or Burghs that have taken place since the Joint-Committee reported.

The Order is not to affect any Parochial arrangements (Clause 25).

The area to the west and north-west includes the whole of the Hamilton Road Special Drainage and Scavenging Districts, which are co-terminous, while the area to the north-east is situated within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting and Scavenging Districts, which are also co-terminous. The effect of the annexation would thus be, while disjoining the whole of the Hamilton Road Special Drainage and Scavenging Districts from the County to cut up the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting and Scavenging District, and to dislocate all the arrangements which have already been made for the administration of these latter districts. The disastrous effects of a somewhat similar dislocation of the County Special Districts, which followed upon the extension of the Burgh in 1908, are known to the County Council.

It should be explained that in 1908 the Burgh of Motherwell attempted to annex a large portion of the area to the north-west and west included in the present scheme, and that Parliament after careful investigation refused to hand over that district to the Burgh.

An Order was again promoted in the year 1909 by the Town Council of Motherwell to annex the same district, but was abandoned after Petitions had been lodged against it.

II. WATER.

By Clause 28 of the Order it is proposed that the limits for the compulsory supply of water of the Town Council should be the Burgh as extended, or in other words, that there should be disjoined from the Middle Ward Water District and added to the Town Council's Water District not only the areas now proposed to be annexed but also the areas annexed to the Burgh of Motherwell in the year 1908.

Clause 29 proposes that the District Committee of the Upper Ward should be bound to take from the Town Council 250,000 gallons of water per day at a price to be fixed as in the Motherwell Act of 1900, and Clause 30 contains a similar provision as to the Middle Ward District taking a compulsory supply of 200,000 gallons per day.

In order presumably to overcome the opposition of the ratepayers to the proposals of Clause 28, Clause 31 of the Order provides that within (1) the districts annexed to the Burgh by the Act of 1908, and (2) the districts proposed to be annexed by the Order, for a period of nine years from Whitsunday, 1913, the Town Council are to levy either the same water rates as are levied in each year during that period within the Middle Ward Water District, or the water rates levied in each year during that period by the Town Council within the Burgh, whichever shall be the lesser.

Clause 28 is a renewal of the attempts made in 1900 and 1908 by the Town Council to secure that extensions of the burgh for municipal purposes should automatically involve an extension of the Town Council's water area, and a corresponding limitation of the Middle Ward Water District. The point was fully discussed before Parliamentary Committees in the years 1900 and 1908, and the Town Council's contention was, in both cases, negatived after the whole circumstances had been carefully enquired into.

The principle of the proposals embodied in Clauses 29 and 30 was fully argued in the course of the proceedings in connection with the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1908. On that occasion the Town Council of Motherwell endeavoured to have the option conferred upon the District Committee of the Middle Ward by the Motherwell Act of 1900 turned into an obligation, but the Commissioners refused to give effect to the Town Council's arguments. The Commissioners, as did the Parliamentary Committee who considered the Burgh Bill of 1908, expressed the view that, if it were possible, the Middle Ward Committee should, if they required to obtain a supply of water outside their own resources, take it from Motherwell. No valid reason, however, can be alleged why provisions which were put in to the Motherwell Act of 1900 for the benefit solely of the District Committees should be turned into obligations upon these committees in the interests of the Motherwell Water Undertaking, and which would compel them to take and pay for water, irrespective of whether their requirements made this expedient.

It should be pointed out that the supply which the District Committee of the Upper Ward have the option to take is preferential to all supplies other than the domestic supply of the Burgh as existing in the year 1900. If effect were given to the provisions of the Order the supply to the District Committee of the Upper Ward would be postponed to the additional supply necessary to meet the domestic requirements of the area added to the burgh in 1908, and to the area proposed to be added by the Order. In the event, therefore, of the Order becoming law, the interests of the Upper Ward District Committee would require to be safeguarded in this respect.

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III. SEWAGE.

The Order proposes by Clauses 32 to 42 to authorise the Town Council to construct certain additional sewers and acquire lands for the purpose of sewage purification works. These proposals do not in the main seem to affect the interests of the County.

It would appear that the proposed sewers are for the greater part of their length to follow the lines which would probably be selected by the County Authorities for main sewers for draining the area to the west and north-west should feuing develop upon it. In the event therefore of the sewage provisions of the Order becoming law, it would be advisable to have clauses inserted in the Order enabling the County Authorities to connect sewers which they might lay for the drainage of the area to the Burgh sewers on terms similar to those arranged for the Hamilton Road Drainage District, and in the event of clauses in general terms being refused, it would be necessary to obtain a clause providing that the sewer (work No. 5) so far as laid in the Ladywell Road should be placed in such a position as would enable the County Authorities to lay another sewer in the road at such a level that drains from any houses which might be built along the road could be carried above the Burgh sewer.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 31*st May*, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

4th June, 1913.

At Glasgow, and within the County Building, there, on Wednesday, 4th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Lanark County Tramways.

Present—

George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
William M. Marshall.
William Neilson.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Mr. G. F. Möller, A.M.I.E.E.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 9th April, 1913, which had been approved of by the County Council on 8th May last, were signed by the Chairman.

Report by Clerk.

The Clerk reported regarding the several matters aftermentioned, and the sub-committee gave instructions thereanent as follows:—

PROPOSED DIVERSION OF TELEGRAPHS AT BELLSHILL.

On 6th May, 1913, the Secretary of the General Post Office intimated that the Postmaster-General had agreed to accept the £425 offered by the committee as a fair contribution towards the cost of the proposed diversion of the telegraphs in Bellshill. The Postmaster-General's original estimate of £600 had been based on the assumption that tramway poles would be erected on both sides of the Main Street, whereas the tramway poles are to be placed only on one side of the street and will only affect one telegraph line.

The Secretary of the Post Office pointed out that the payment of £425 would not relieve the Council of their obligation to pay for alterations to telegraphs outside the scope of the diversion in Main Street, Bellshill, the cost of these being estimated at £495. Mr. Möller thought this figure high and a list of the wires to be dealt with made up by him, in which was specified the nature of the alterations which he considered necessary, had been sent to the Postmaster-General with a request for a detailed estimate. It was agreed to leave this matter in the hands of the Clerk with power to make such arrangement with the Postmaster as he might consider best.

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OBJECTION BY MESSRS. STEWARTS & LLOYDS, LD.

The proposed arrangement for the transference of the electric cables belonging to Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd., to the tramway poles had been communicated to the District Committee with a view of ascertaining whether it would be regarded as satisfactory, keeping in view the contract which Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd., have for supplying current to the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District. No communication had yet been received from the Clerk to the District Committee. A letter had since been received from the County Council's Engineer enquiring if the British Thomson-Houston Company were to procure the fittings and carry out the work of transferring the lighting cables to the tramway poles or if this was to be left to the District Committee. The sub-committee were of opinion that it would be advantageous to get the British Thomson-Houston Company to carry out the work. The Clerk stated that he would inform the District Committee of what was being done.

PROPOSED STRENGTHENING OF BRIDGE OF NORTH BRITISH RAILWAY COMPANY AT UDDINGSTON.

On 9th May the Secretary of the North British Railway Company forwarded a plan of a proposed reconstruction of the bridge over the railway at Uddingston at a cost of £543. The plan had been sent on to Mr. Möller, who was going into the matter. Mr. Möller reported that he had recently consulted Messrs. Formans & M'Call, C.E., regarding the necessity of the proposed reconstruction, and had been advised that the bridge in its present condition was not sufficiently strong to carry the tramway traffic. As the expenditure on a new bridge seemed excessive in the circumstances. Mr. Möller had put before Messrs. Formans & M'Call an alternative proposal for strengthening the bridge to carry the car traffic, and was advised that his scheme would be sufficient for the County Council's purposes, and could be carried out at an expenditure of about £60. The sub-committee agreed to leave this matter in the hands of the Clerk and Engineer with power to approach the Railway Company if they thought fit, with a proposal that the County Council should pay the Company a lump sum, and that the Company should themselves reconstruct the bridge or strengthen it to their own satisfaction.

SYSTEM OF ELECTRIC TRACTION APPROVED.

On 10th April, 1913, the Board of Trade wrote provisionally approving of the system of electric traction proposed to be adopted subject to any requirements which might be considered necessary on the inspection of the completed work.

DEVIATION FROM PARLIAMENTARY PLANS.

On 21st May the Board of Trade consented, under Section 17 of the Lanark County Tramways Act, to the construction of the tramways in accordance with the amended copy of the deposited plans.

In this connection it was explained that only one frontager (in Calder Road) lodged objection to the rails being laid within 9 feet 6 inches of the kerb opposite his property, and as no objection is valid unless supported by one-third of the owners or occupiers opposite the point, his objection had, therefore, fallen.

INSURANCE.

The necessary Workmen's Compensation and Third Party Policies had been taken out by the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, with the Iron Trades' Employers Assurance Association, Limited. The rate of premium was 60s. per £100 of wages paid this being the lowest premium obtainable from any company of standing.

PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED.

The Clerk had ascertained that the owners of all the properties to be acquired by the County Council were willing to negotiate for the sale of their respective properties without the necessity of resorting to the procedure under the Lands Clauses Acts.

Lord Newlands had agreed to sell two plots of ground proposed to be acquired from him for £30 on the usual conditions as to reservation of minerals, compensation to tenants, the expense of adding the ground to the road and erecting the necessary fences and making good damage.

Robert Addie & Sons' Collieries, Limited.

Messrs. Robert Addie & Sons' Collieries, Limited, had also indicated that they would sell the small plot of ground to be acquired from them at a price of £25 on somewhat similar conditions. The actual areas to be acquired from Lord Newlands and Messrs. Addie & Sons' Collieries were still to be adjusted, but when this had been done, there would be no difficulty in carrying through the transactions on the lines indicated.

Mr. MacCallum, Uddingston.

Negotiations had also been commenced with Messrs. M'Leish & Johnson, Writers, Glasgow, agents for Mr. George MacCallum, the owner of the property at the corner of Main Street and Bellshill Road, Uddingston. Mr. MacCallum's Agents had obtained a report from Messrs. Smellie & Fraser, Valuators, Glasgow, and they wrote on 22nd May, 1913, with the following alternative suggestions, viz.:—

(1) to sell the whole property belonging to their clients for £880;

(2) to sell a strip along the Main Street frontage for £300; or

(3) to sell the site occupied by the small confectioner's shop for £250;

subject to the condition that the expense of the valuation and negotiations and of the conveyance be paid by the purchasers; that in the event of the confectioner's shop being acquired with or without the strip along Main Street, the ground purchased should be added to the public thoroughfare, and that the purchaser dress all the exposed west gable of the remaining building and erect a stone wall of suitable height and materials, to enclose the remainder of the seller's property on the new boundary, with a suitable gate and gateway, and lay a gronolithic footpath of suitable width with kerb and water channel along the west gable and the remainder of the new boundary to Main Street, all to the specification of Messrs. T. D. Smellie & Fraser, the sale to be subject to the existing leases, the two shop tenancies having each two years to run as from Whitsunday last. The sub-committee agreed to recommend that the second alternative suggestion, to acquire the strip along Main Street at the price of £300, be adopted.

Bell's Trustees.

An offer of £30 had been made to Bell's Trustees for the small piece of ground in front of their property at New Stevenston, extending to about 50 yards or thereby, which it is proposed to add to the street. In answer to this offer, Mr. Marshall, Writer, Motherwell, the Agent for the Trustees, wrote on 26th May stating that his clients desired payment of the sum of £60, and that the County Council, in addition, would require to fence the ground and pay the whole expense incurred by the Trustees including the surveyor's fee and the expense of carrying through the conveyance. His clients, however, had since intimated that they would not now accept less than £65 for the ground. (Prior to the consideration of this item of business being taken up by the sub-committee Mr. Marshall withdrew from the meeting.)

The sub-committee agreed to defer consideration of this matter meantime.

TELEGRAPH WIRES OF RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Mr. Moller had reported that it would be necessary to alter the telegraph wires and cables on the Caledonian Railway Company's Bridges at Clydesdale and Mossend and on the North British Railway Company's Bridge at Uddingston Coal Road. The Railway Companies had been communicated with, and had furnished estimates of the cost of the necessary work. The cost of altering the wires of the Caledonian Railway Company was estimated at £420, made up of £200 for the work at Mossend, and £22 for the work at Clydesdale. The figures are arrived at on the basis of nett cost of materials and labour plus 10 per cent. for standing charges for use of tools, &c.

The expense of altering the wires of the North British Railway Company was on £23.

Mr. Moller considered that in view of the amount of work to be done the Caledonia Railway Company's estimate was not far out, provided that credit was given for material recovered. As the work was urgent the Caledonian Railway Company h been instructed to put it in hand at once on the understanding that such credit would given.

Mr. Moller had also approved of the estimate for altering the telegraphs of te North British Railway Company, and this work was also being proceeded with. Te sub-committee approved.

LOWERING OF ROADWAY UNDER BRIDGES.

On 23rd May a plan and section showing the method proposed to be followed in lowering the roadway under the Bridges carrying the Caledonian Railway between Uddingston and Bellshill and between Holytown and Bellshill had been forwarded to the Company. The Company in addition had asked for a specification showing the manner in which the works are to be carried out and this was being furnished.

PROGRESS OF WORK.

Work had now been commenced at New Stevenston and was progressing favourably.

STRIKES.

On 19th May the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, had intimated to the Engineer that a strike had taken place at the works of Messrs Bayliss, Jones, & Bayliss, who were manufacturing the tie-bars, bolts, and nuts for the contract. So far this had not kept back the work.

On Wednesday, 28th May, the labourers employed under the Contract had struck work and demanded an increase on their present rate of pay of 6d. to 6½d. per hour. They also wished to receive 10 hours' pay for 9½ hours' work. and to get "sub" on the job. On 2nd June, however, they had resumed work at the old rate of pay on condition that their working hours should be 10 per day, instead of 9½ as formerly, and that they should receive "sub" on the job.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Elections Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th June, 1913.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.	William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	William Speirs.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
W. M. Marshall.	James C. Hope Vere.

There were also present Messrs. J. P. Baird and James Anderson.

In the absence of Colonel King Stewart, Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Hope Vere was appointed to the Chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting the remit to the committee made by the County Council at their Statutory Meeting held on 8th May. *Remit to committee.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting :—

(1) Statement (Appendix I.) relative to the number of Parish Councillors in the several Parishes in the County, and

(2) Statement (Appendix II.) showing the existing constitution of Parish Councils, and containing also a description of optional Wards formed under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894,

copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

With regard to proposed alterations of parish wards, the Clerk stated that apart from such alterations as may be necessary consequent upon the alteration of the County Council Electoral Divisions, the only case where a suggestion had been made for an alteration was that of the Parish of Carnwath, but he submitted and read a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the Carnwath Parish Council, of date 2nd current, stating that at the last meeting of the Parish Council no decision had been arrived at, and that the matter had meantime been departed from. *Parish Wards.—Letter from Clerk to Carnwath Parish Council.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Local Government Board, which was in the following terms, viz. :— *Parish Wards.—Govan Parish Council.—Letter from Local Government Board.*

"Local Government Board,
"Edinburgh, 2nd June, 1913.

"Sir,

PARISH WARDS.—GOVAN PARISH COUNCIL.

"Referring to my letter of 26th March last, I am now directed to send you copy of an Order of the Board, by which they provide that the Parish Council

of Govan shall conduct the Parish Council Election for that portion of the Parish situated outwith the Burgh of Glasgow, but within the County of Lanark, in the same manner as if the aforesaid portion formed part of the nearest parish ward.

"I am to add, with reference to your letter of 12th ultimo, that there appears to be no reason why the Parish Council should not appoint a representative to the District Committee for the non-burghal area of the parish.

"I am, &c.,

"(Signed) DAVID BROWN,
"*Assistant Secretary.*"

A copy of the Order referred to in the above communication forms Appendix III to this minute.

Proposal to increase number of Parish Councillors for Dalserf.

With regard to proposals for the increase of the number of Parish Councillors, there was submitted a recommendation by the Parish Council of Dalserf that the number of Parish Councillors should be increased from 13 to 15, and that five members be allotted to each of the three Wards into which the Parish will be divided, *i.e.*, assuming that the proposal of the County Council for the division of the Parish into three Electoral Divisions is approved by the Secretary for Scotland.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed, subject as above, that the number of Parish Councillors be fixed at 15, and that 5 members be allotted to each Ward, as recommended by the Parish Council, and resolved to recommend to the Local Government Board accordingly.

Proposal to increase number of Parish Councillors for Cambuslang.

There was also submitted a request by the Parish Council of Cambuslang that the number of Parish Councillors for that Parish be increased from 16 to 17, and that the additional Councillor be allotted to the North Ward of the Parish. The Clerk stated that the Parish was at present divided into three Wards, each being an Electoral Division as follows :—

	Estimated Population.	No. of Parish Councillors.
1. North Ward.	8,500	5
2. South ,, ...	8,500	6
3. Hallside ,, ...	7,850	5
	24,850	16

The meeting agreed to the proposal of the Parish Council, and fixed the number of Parish Councillors at 17, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

Proposal to increase number of Parish Councillors for Blantyre.

The Clerk stated that he had also received a communication from the Parish Council of Blantyre intimating a request for an increase of Parish Councillors from 13 to 15, but that this had been made on the assumption that the Parish would be divided into three Electoral Divisions and three Parish Wards instead of two as at present. In view, however, of the County Council having decided that the existing division of the Parish should remain, the Blantyre Parish Council had withdrawn their request for an increase of the number of Councillors.

Lower Ward Electoral Divisions.

With regard to the proposed arrangement of the Electoral Divisions of the Lower Ward, the Clerk stated that on further investigation, and after a survey of the district, it was found to be hardly practicable to so enlarge the Lenzie Parish Ward as to embrace a population which would justify its being formed into a separate Electoral Division. The meeting, having considered alternative suggestions, expressed the view that as the best way of meeting the difficulty in the existing Possil Electoral Division might be allowed to remain as it is, and that the existing Bishopbriggs Electoral Division be divided into two divisions, and it was remitted to the Clerk to have a map prepared giving effect to this proposal.

It was, however, agreed that before coming to a final determination in the matter, the members of the committee should have an opportunity of further considering it, and, if thought necessary, of inspecting the district, and that, meantime, the County Council be recommended to remit to the committee powers to make the alteration suggested, subject to such modification as may seem to the committee to be necessary or advisable.

4th June, 1913.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1894.

STATEMENT RELATIVE TO NUMBER OF PARISH COUNCILLORS IN THE SEVERAL PARISHES IN THE COUNTY.

The number of Parish Councillors is regulated according to the population of the respective Parishes, and the scheme which was framed by the Local Government Board at the passing of the Act fixed the numbers as follows, viz.:—

Population.	Number of Councillors.
Over 100,000, - - - - ...	31
„ 50,000 and under 100,000, ...	25 to 29
„ 30,000 „ 50,000, ...	21 to 25
„ 15,000 „ 30,000, ...	15 to 21
„ 7,000 „ 15,000, ...	11 to 15
„ 3,000 „ 7,000, ...	8 to 11
Under 3,000 - - - - ...	5 to 8

The following is a statement showing the population of the several Parishes in the County at the passing of the Act, the number of Councillors originally allotted, the present number of Councillors, and the population as at last census, viz.:—

UPPER WARD.

	Population, 1894.	No. of Councillors allotted, 1894.	Present No. of Councillors, 1913.	Population according to last census.	No. of Councillors to which now entitled.
BIGGAR—					
Burgh	1,356	5	5	1,326	5 to 8
Landward, ...	546	4 9	2 7	605	
	1,902			1,931	
CARLUKE, ...	8,058	13	13	9,619	11 to 15
CARMICHAEL, ...	593	5	5	1,471	5 to 8
CARNWATH, ...	5.324	11	11	6,446	8 to 11
CARSTAIRS	1,977	7	7	1,878	5 to 8
COVINGTON AND THANKERTON,	396	5	5	385	5 to 8
CRAWFORD, ...	1,634	7	7	1,520	5 to 8
CRAWFORDJOHN, ...	789	5	5	617	5 to 8
CULTER, ...	420	5	5	372	5 to 8
DOLPHINTON, ...	248	5	5	245	5 to 8
DOUGLAS, ...	2,266	7	7	2,509	5 to 8
DUNSYRE, ...	191	5	5	175	5 to 8
LAMINGTON AND WANDELL,	305	5	5	271	5 to 8

	Population, 1894.	No. of Councillors allotted, 1894.	Present No. of Councillors, 1913.	Population according to last census.	No. of Councillors to which now entitled.
LANARK—					
Burgh (Parliamentary),	4,579	8	8	5,900	11 to 15
Landward, ...	2,531	7 } 15	7 } 15	3,078	
	7,110			8,978	
LESMAHAGOW,, ...	9,752	15	15	11,990	11 to 15
LIBERTON, ...	486	5	5	461	5 to 8
PETTINAIN, ...	259	5	5	261	5 to 8
SYMINGTON, ...	432	5	5	420	5 to 8
WALSTON, ...	301	5	5	255	5 to 8
WISTON AND ROBERTON,	497	5	5	400	5 to 8
MIDDLE WARD.					
AVONDALE, ...	5,069	10	11	5,033	8 to 11
BLANTYRE, ...	11,352	13	13	16,821	15 to 21
BOTHWELL—					
Motherwell Police Burgh,	65	1	1	680	25 to 29
Landward, ...	31,419	22 } 23	26 } 27	54,211	
	31,484			54,891	
CAMBUSLANG, ...	15,364	16	16	24,864	15 to 21
CAMBUSNETHAN—					
Wishaw Police Burgh,	12,467	11	10	25,263	21 to 25
Landward, ...	10,242	10 } 21	9 } 19	8,649	
	22,709			33,912	
DALSERF, ...	11,325	13	13	18,629	15 to 21
DALZIEL—					
Motherwell Police Burgh,	15,076	12	15	39,700	21 to 25
Wishaw do.	2,785	3 } 20	3 } 21	5,927	
Landward, ...	1,343	5	3	1,866	
	19,204			47,503	
EAST KILBRIDE, ...	3,781	9	9	3,977	8 to 11
GLASFORD, ...	1,317	5	7	1,312	5 to 8
HAMILTON—					
Hamilton Burgh, ...	24,859	16	15	38,644	21 to 25
Motherwell Police Burgh,	3,585	3 } 25	5 } 20	7,775	
Landward, ...	6,712	6			
	35,156			46,419	
NEW MONKLAND—					
Airdrie Burgh, ...	19,135	14	14	24,388	21 to 25
Coatbridge Burgh, ...	117	1 } 25	11 } 25	13,728	
Landward, ...	14,608	10			
	33,860			38,116	

	Population, 1894.	No. of Councillors allotted, 1894.	Present No. of Councillors, 1913.	Population according to last census.	No of Councillors to which now entitled.
OLD MONKLAND—					
Coatbridge Burgh, ...	29,917	15	16	43,286	25 to 29
Landward, ...	14,699	9 } 24	9 } 25	17,740	
	44,616			61,026	
SHOTTS, ...	11,957	13	15	18,433	15 to 21
STONEHOUSE, ...	3,400	8	9	3,688	8 to 11
LOWER WARD.					
GLASGOW—					
City of Glasgow, ...	295,323	27	27	542,183	
Landward.	14,489	4 } 31	4 } 31	35,376	31
	309,812			577,559	
CADDER, ...	8,232	13	15	14,433	11 to 15
CARMUNNOCK, ...	703	5	5	747	5 to 8
GOVAN—					
City of Glasgow, ...	171,940	17	18	204,723	
Govan Police Burgh, ...	61,363	6	7	89,605	
Partick do., ...	36,538	5 } 31	5 } 31	66,849	31
Kinning Park do., ...	13,679	2			
Landward, ...	2,761	1	1	2,394	
	286,281			363,571	
RUTHERGLEN—					
Rutherglen Burgh, ...	13,364	12	12	24,379	15 to 21
Landward, ...	2,814	6 } 18	5 } 17	4,024	
	16,178			28,403	

County Offices,
Hamilton, June, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

PARISH COUNCILS' ELECTIONS, 1910.

I.—Constitution of Parish Councils.

UPPER WARD.

Parish.	Parish Wards.	Number of Parish Councillors.	
BIGGAR,	(1) Police Burgh of Biggar,	5	
	(2) Biggar, Landward,	2	together 7
	(Three additional Members for Landward Committee.)		
CARLUKE,	(1) Carluke, East (Electoral Division),	6	
	(2) Carluke, West do.,	7	together 13
CARMICHAEL,			5
CARNWATH,	(1) Forth (Electoral Division),	6	
	(2) Carnwath, being remainder of Parish, and part of Carnwath Electoral Division,	5	together 11
CARSTAIRS,			7
COVINGTON AND THANKERTON,			5
CRAWFORD,	(1) Leadhills (Optional Ward),	3	
	(2) Crawford do.,	4	together 7
CRAWFORDJOHN,			5
CULTER,			5
DOLPHINTON,			5
DOUGLAS,			7
DUNSYRE,			5
LAMINGTON AND WANDELL,			5
LANARK,	(1) Royal Burgh of Lanark,	8	
	(2) Lanark, Landward,	7	together 15
LESMAHAGOW,	(1) Lesmahagow (Electoral Division),	7	
	(2) Kirkfieldbank do.,	4	
	(3) Blackwood do.,	4	together 15
LIBERTON,			5
PETTINAIN,			5
SYMINGTON,			5
WALSTON,			5
WISTON AND ROBERTON.			5

MIDDLE WARD.

Parish.	Parish Wards.	Number of Parish Councillors	
VONDALE, - -	(1) Strathaven (Optional Ward), - -	7	
	(2) Avondale do., - -	4	together 11
LANTYRE, - -	(1) Stonefield (Electoral Division), -	7	
	(2) High Blantyre do., -	6	together 13
OTHWELL, - -	(1) Holytown Electoral Division or Parish Ward, - - - -	5	
	(2) Bellshill (East) do. do., -	4	
	(3) Bellshill (West) do. do., -	4	
	(4) Bothwell do. do., -	3	
	(5) Uddingston do. do., -	5	
	(6) Tannochside do. do., -	3	
	(7) Dalziel Parish Ward (part of Electoral Division), - - -	2	
	(8) Burgh of Motherwell, - - -	1	together 27
AMBUSLANG,- -	(1) North Cambuslang Ward, - -	5	
	(2) South Cambuslang Ward, - -	6	
	(3) Hallside Ward, - - - -	5	together 16
AMBUSNETHAN, -	(1) Police Burgh of Wishaw, part of, -	10	
	(2) Overton (Electoral Division), - -	3	
	(3) Newmains (Optional Ward), - -	4	
	(4) Stane do., - -	2	together 19
DALSERF, - - -	(1) Larkhall (Electoral Division), - -	8	
	(2) Dalserf do., - -	5	together 13
DALZIEL, - - -	(1) Police Burgh of Motherwell, - -	15	
	(2) Police Burgh of Wishaw, part of, -	3	
	(3) Dalziel (part of Electoral Division), -	3	together 21
EAST KILBRIDE, -	(1) East Kilbride (Optional Ward), -	7	
	(2) Busby do., -	2	together 9
GLASFORD, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -			7
HAMILTON, - -	(1) Burgh of Hamilton, - - -	15	
	(2) Hamilton (Electoral Division), -	5	together 20
NEW MONKLAND, -	(1) Burgh of Airdrie, - - - -	14	
	(2) New Monkland, North (Electoral Division), - - - - -	5	
	(3) New Monkland, South (Electoral Division), - - - - -	6	together 25
OLD MONKLAND, -	(1) Burgh of Coatbridge, - - -	16	
	(2) Old Monkland (Electoral Division), -	3	
	(3) North Baillieston do., -	3	
	(4) South Baillieston do., -	3	together 25
SHOTTS, - - -	(1) Dykehead (Optional Ward), - -	4	
	(2) Cleland do., - -	4	
	(3) Harthill do., - -	3	
	(4) Shotts Kirk do., - -	2	
	(5) Caldercruix do., - -	2	together 15
STONEHOUSE - - - - - - - - - - - - -			9

LOWER WARD.

Parish.	Parish Wards.		Number of Parish Councillors.
GLASGOW, - -	Burghal, City of Glasgow, - - -	27	
	Landward—		
	(1) Possil (Electoral Division), -	1	
	(2) Millerston and Springburn do.,	1	
	(3) North Shettleston do.,	1	
	(4) South Shettleston do.,	1	
	—	4	together 31
CADDER, - - -	(1) Chryston (Optional Ward), - -	4	
	(2) Gartcosh do., - -	2	
	(3) Bishopbriggs do., - -	4	
	(4) Lenzie do., - -	2	
	(5) Stepps do., - -	2	
	(6) Possil do., - -	1	together 15
CARMUNNOCK, - - - - - - - - - - - - - -			5
GOVAN, - -	Burghal, viz.:—		
	City of Glasgow, - - - 18		
	Police Burgh of Govan, - - 7		
	Do. Partick, - - 5		
	—	30	
	Landward, - - - - - -	1	together 31
	(Four additional Members for Landward Committee.)		
RUTHERGLEN, -	Burgh of Rutherglen, - - - -	12	
	Landward, - - - - - -	5	together 17

The above List details only the Parish Wards in the Parishes, exclusive of Burghs and Police Burghs.

II.—Description of Optional Wards formed under Section 13 (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894.

UPPER WARD.

CRAWFORD—

(1) Leadhills, being that part of Abington County Council Electoral Division which forms Leadhills Parliamentary Polling District;

(2) Crawford, being the remainder of the Parish of Crawford.

MIDDLE WARD.

AVONDALE—

(1) Strathaven, comprising that part of the Town of Strathaven and of the Parish of Avondale included within the Strathaven Special Drainage District;

(2) Avondale, being the remainder of the Parish of Avondale.

CAMBUSNETHAN—

(3) Newmains, being that part of Newmains County Council Electoral Division which forms Newmains Parliamentary Polling District;

(4) Stane, being that part of Newmains County Council Electoral Division which forms Stane Parliamentary Polling District.

EAST KILBRIDE—

(1) Busby Ward, being that part of the Parish included in Carmunnock, *quoad sacra*, viz. :—Commencing at a point where the Gill Burn joins the White Cart River, along said burn to the ford on the farm road leading from West End to Dripps; thence along the boundary of the Dripps Estate to Thortonhall Burn; thence along said burn to old Limekilns; thence in a north-westerly direction across the road leading from Dripps to Cadgerhill to the bridge over the Thortonhall Burn, situated on the road leading from Cadgerhill to Dripps; thence along said burn to the plantation between Busbyside and Peel farms; thence along said plantation in a north-easterly direction, including Byestone, across Busby and East Kilbride Road, to the Kittoch Water; thence in a north-westerly direction to the junction of said water with the White Cart River; thence along said river to the point of commencement; and

(2) East Kilbride Ward, being the remainder of the Parish of East Kilbride.

SHOTTS—

(1) Dykehead, being that part of Dykehead and Cleland County Council Electoral Division which forms Dykehead Parliamentary Polling District;

(2) Cleland, being that part of Dykehead and Cleland County Council Electoral Division which forms Cleland Parliamentary Polling District;

(3) Harthill, being that part of Harthill and Shotts Kirk County Council Electoral Division which forms Harthill Parliamentary Polling District;

(4) Shotts Kirk, being that part of Harthill and Shotts Kirk County Council Electoral Division which forms Shotts Kirk Parliamentary Polling District; and

(5) Caldercruix, being that part of Harthill and Shotts Kirk County Council Electoral Division which forms Caldercruix Parliamentary Polling District.

LOWER WARD.

CADDER—

(1) Possil, that part of the Bishopbriggs Electoral Division lying generally to the west of a line commencing at the corner of the Glasgow Parish boundary near Bishopbriggs School; thence in an easterly direction to the centre of the Kirkintilloch Road; thence generally in a north-easterly direction along the said road to the Cadder Road; thence in a north-westerly direction along the centre of the Cadder Road; thence still in a north-westerly direction along the south-west side of the private road leading to Cawder Cottage and the divisional fences bounding enclosures Nos. 166, 154, and 158 of the Ordnance Survey Map on the south-west and the continuation thereof to the county and parish boundary (the medium filum of the River Kelvin).

(2) Lenzie, that part of the Bishopbriggs Electoral Division lying generally to the east of a line commencing at the county and parish boundary at the south-west corner of enclosure No. 1208 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Kirkintilloch; thence in a southerly direction in a straight line across the North British Railway to the north-west corner of enclosure No. 771 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 771 and 772 to the centre of the Crosshill Road; thence along the centre of the said road to the prolongation of the western boundary of enclosure No. 823; thence in a southerly direction along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 823 and 822; thence along the southern boundary of last-mentioned enclosure and the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 843 and 1554 to the boundary of the said electoral division.

(3) Bishopbriggs, the remainder of the Bishopbriggs Electoral Division.

(4) Stepps, that part of the Chryston Electoral Division lying generally to the west of a line commencing at the boundary of the said electoral division at the north-east corner of enclosure No. 1581 of the Ordnance Survey Map; thence in a south-easterly direction along the east boundary of said enclosure to enclosure No. 1582 of said map; thence following the north and east boundaries of said last-mentioned enclosure to the Cult Burn; thence in a south-easterly direction by a straight line to the junction of the Whitehill Road with the service road to Hornshill Steading; thence following the fence at the side of the said road by the east side of Hornshill Steading

and across the Garnkirk Burn and by the west side of Garfield House policies to the centre of the Cumbernauld Road; thence in an easterly direction along the centre of the said road to a point in the continuation of the eastern boundary of enclosure No. 1739 of said map; thence in a southerly direction to the last-mentioned boundary and along it to the boundary of the said electoral division.

(5) Gartcosh, that part of Chryston Electoral Division lying generally to the south-east of a line commencing at a point in the Glasgow Parish boundary at the north-west corner of enclosure No. 1816 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence generally in an easterly and north-easterly direction to Johnston Loch following the south side of the burn; thence along the south-eastern side of the said loch to the centre of the Lochend Road opposite Woodneuk Lodge; thence in a northerly direction along the centre of said road to the Johnston Road; thence in an easterly direction along the centre of last-mentioned road to the Glenboig Road; thence in a northerly direction along the centre of last-mentioned road to a point opposite the north-western boundary of enclosure No. 1205 of said map; thence following the north-western boundary of enclosure last mentioned and northern boundaries of enclosures Nos. 1197 and 1196 and across the railway and along the northern boundary of enclosure No. 1195 until it reaches the boundary of the Chryston Electoral Division.

(6) Chryston, the remainder of the Chryston Electoral Division.

APPENDIX III.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1894.

COUNTY OF LANARK.—PARISH OF GOVAN.

ORDER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD FOR SCOTLAND AS TO THE ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS FOR THAT PORTION OF THE PARISH OF GOVAN WHICH IS SITUATED OUTWITH THE BURGH OF GLASGOW, BUT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

WHEREAS it is provided by Sections 14 (7) and 15 (7) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, that a County Council and Town Council may refer to the Board any question that may arise as to the performance of the duty of such County Council or Town Council under these sections, and the determination of the Board, as signified by Order thereon, shall by final;

AND WHEREAS Section 12 (4) of the Glasgow Corporation (General Powers) Act, 1896, authorises the Parish Councils of "the Glasgow Parishes" to make a similar reference;

AND WHEREAS, in consequence of the extension of the boundaries of the City of Glasgow, a question has arisen as to the election of Parish Councillors for that portion of the Parish of Govan situated outwith the Burgh of Glasgow, but within the County of Lanark;

AND WHEREAS the County Council of Lanark and the Parish Council of Govan have agreed that the Board shall determine the question under the powers conferred on them by the aforesaid sections of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894;

NOW THEREFORE WE, the Local Government Board for Scotland, do hereby determine that the election of Parish Councillors within the aforesaid portion of the Parish of Govan shall be conducted by the Parish Council of Govan in the same manner as if the aforesaid portion formed part of the nearest parish ward.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board for Scotland this second day of June, One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Thirteen Years.

(Signed) GEORGE M'CRAE,
Vice-President.

DAVID BROWN,
Assistant Secretary

Copy Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward to the County Clerk.

15 West George Street,
Glasgow, 3rd June, 1913.

Dear Sir,

SALARY OF CLERK AND TREASURER.

I submitted your letter of 9th ult. to the District Committee. The Committee reconsidered the whole matter carefully and, having the whole facts before them, were satisfied that the salary formerly fixed by them was fair and reasonable; but, out of deference to the Council and with a view to settling this matter which has remained so long undetermined, they resolved to fix the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer at £1,000 per annum—to cover the salaries of the staff (which amount to £650 per annum) and outlays for office rent, taxes and assessments, heating, lighting, cleaning, and generally all charges for office accommodation (which amount to £150 per annum additional)—the salary to be subject to the approval of the County Council, and to be payable half out of Public Health and half out of Highways Assessments.

I am to request that you will bring this communication before the County Council at the earliest opportunity.

Yours faithfully,

JAS. A. M'CALLUM

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK HELD AT LANARK, ON THURSDAY, 8TH MAY, 1913.

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Salary of Clerk and Treasurer to Lower Ward District Committee.

Under reference to the minutes of the Special Meeting of the County Council held on 29th January last, the Clerk submitted and read letters which he had received from Mr. James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, and which were in the following terms:—

"15 West George Street,
"Glasgow, 29th April, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"I beg to refer to your letter of 22nd February in which you informed me that the County Council desired to be informed whether it is intended that the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer to the District Committee of the Lower Ward was intended to cover Parliamentary and Legal Work, and, if not, desired that an estimate of the fees for such work should be given on the basis of the fees paid during the last three years.

"At a meeting of the District Committee held yesterday, I was instructed to reply that it is not intended that the salary should cover Parliamentary and legal work, and that the fees paid for such work during the last three years, viz., 1909-10, 1910-11, and 1911-12 are as follows, viz.:—

	Legal Work.	Parliamentary Work.
1909-10, - - -	£26 13 2	£0 0 0
1910-11, - - -	55 14 2	61 0 8
1911-12, - - -	45 17 0	21 11 2
3	£128 4 4	£82 11 10
Annual average, -	£42 14 9	£27 10 7

"making together total average fees per annum, £70 5s. 4d.

"Yours faithfully,

"JAS. A. M'CALLUM."

"15 West George Street,
"Glasgow, 7th May, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"You would probably notice that in my letter to you of 29th ultimo giving the average legal and Parliamentary fees for the last three years, nothing was said about the current year 1912-13, which is now practically completed and the amount of fees to be received in it known. The legal fees amount to £13 3s. 9d., and the Parliamentary fees to £273 18s. 10d. Of this amount £265 7s. 2d. represents the fees received in respect of the Glasgow Boundaries Bill, and the balance of the Parliamentary fees consists of £8 11s. 8d. received in respect of the Glasgow (General) Provisional Order.

"If these figures are added to the total for the three years given in my letter of 29th ultimo they bring out the total legal fees received for four years to be £141 8s. 1d., and the total Parliamentary fees £356 10s. 8d., making the average £35 7s. 0d. legal fees, and £89 2s. 8d. Parliamentary fees, together £124 9s. 8d. annual average, of Parliamentary and legal fees taken together.

"If, however, the Glasgow Boundaries Bill be left out of account, not merely as being quite exceptional, but also as tending to remove the probability of Parliamentary contests affecting the Lower Ward for many years to come, the figures work out—Legal fees for four years as before, £141 8s. 1d.; Parliamentary fees, £91 3s. 6d.; average, legal, £35 7s.; Parliamentary, £22 15s. 10d.; together, £58 2s. 10d., average annual amount of both Parliamentary and legal fees.

"Yours faithfully,

"Jas. A. M'Callum.

"*P.S.*—I may also add, though it is, I presume, perfectly well known, that the salaries as Clerk and Treasurer to the Lightburn Joint-Hospital Committee (Lower Ward, Middle Ward, and Glasgow) and the Rutherglen and Dalmarnock Joint Bridges Committee (Lower Ward, Glasgow, and Rutherglen), which represents additional work and responsibility to that of the District Committee, and which I obtained by separate elections, remain as before, viz.:—Lightburn Joint Hospital £80, and the Joint Bridges Committee £20.

"I may also add that the fees above given represent everything that my firm received. For example, in legal work, where a share of fees was received from other parties, as well as from the District Committee itself, the whole is entered.

"J. A. M."

Letter from Mr. Don. Dewar, Lambhill, conveying views of ratepayers in Stepps.

As relative to the subject-matter referred to in the above communications, the Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Don. Dewar, Lambhill, dated 5th current, stating that, at a largely attended meeting of ratepayers, held at Lambhill on 1st current, "a resolution was unanimously passed against the proposed remuneration of £1,050 per annum to the Lower Ward District Clerk."

Motion by Mr. Speirs.

After discussion, Mr. Speirs moved that the Council approve of the salary of the District Clerk and Treasurer as fixed by the District Committee of the Lower Ward, which was seconded by Mr. Marshall.

Amendment by Mr. Auld.

Mr. Auld, by way of amendment, moved a direct negative, which was seconded by Mr. Cameron.

Vote.

A vote having been taken by calling over the names of the members of the Council present and entitled to vote, there voted for Mr. Auld's amendment the following—

Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
James Cameron.
W. W. Chapman.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollock.
William Sym.
Thomas Watt.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.

being 16 in all; and for Mr. Speir's motion the following—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. P. Baird.
Walter C. B. Christie.
George Fraser.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
D. Kinloch Michie.
William Neilson.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
John Todd.
William Marshall.

being 15 in all.

Mr. Auld's amendment carried.

The chairman accordingly declared Mr. Auld's amendment carried, and the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Committee of the Lower Ward of the Council's decision.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, *30th September, 1913.*

SIR,

I am directed to intimate that the STATUTORY OCTOBER MEETING of the County Council will be held in the COUNTY HALL, HAMILTON, *on Thursday, 9th proximo, at Twelve o'clock noon*, for the purpose of receiving a Report of Consent to Capital Works and Borrowing by the Standing Joint-Committee, and of receiving and disposing of Minutes of the County Road Board and the Finance Committee and other Committees, of which copies will be sent to Members of the Council before the date of Meeting; of fixing the rate in the pound of the rateable property which is necessary to meet the deficiency in the County Fund in respect of each branch of expenditure subject to the control of the Council, or for which it is responsible in whole or in part; and of imposing the same on the lands and heritages in the County, or within the divisions or districts thereof as the case may be, and as the law directs—all for the year ending 15th May, 1914.

There will be submitted to the Meeting Reports by the County Road Board and the Finance Committee, prints of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of Meeting.

There will also be submitted to the Meeting a communication from the Secretary for Scotland regarding certain alterations on the Lanark Sheriff Court Houses with a view to providing improved safe accommodation, and also a caretaker's house. The Meeting may, if so resolved, approve of these proposals.

As required by Statute, it will fall to the meeting to appoint a representative on the Clyde Navigation Trust, and also to appoint the Returning Officer for the Elections of the County Council and the Parish Councils, which will take place next December.

Prints of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 8th May, and of the Special Meeting held on 11th June, are sent herewith.

I subjoin Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of motion by Mr. J. RAESIDE AULD, countersigned by Mr. WILLIAM SYM—

"That the Lower Ward of Lanarkshire be amalgamated with the Middle Ward of Lanarkshire."

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE
COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNTY HALL, HAMILTON,

On THURSDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 1913,

AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of the following Meetings of the Council :—

   (1) Statutory Meeting, held on 8th May, 1913.

   (2) Special Meeting, held on 11th June, 1913.

5. Appointment of Representative to Clyde Navigation Trust.

6. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.

7. Report of the County Road Board.

8. Report of Finance Committee and Estimate of Rates.

9. Consider Estimates and impose Rates.

10. Fix date for payment of Rates and date for lodging Appeals.

11. Appoint Committees for hearing and disposing of Appeals.

12. Instruct as to collection of Rates charged on Railway Companies.

13. Appoint Collectors of Consolidated Rates.

14. Remit to Finance Committee to make Regulations for Collection of Rates, with powers.

15. Reports by District Committees :—

    (1) Upper Ward.

    (2) Middle Ward.

    (3) Lower Ward.

16. Report by County Analyst, under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, for quarter ending 30th June, 1913.

17. Report by District Agricultural Analyst, under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, for quarter ending 30th June, 1913.

18. Minutes of the following Committees :—

    (1) Valuation Committees—Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards, of date 8th May, 1913; Upper Ward, of date 15th September, 1913; Middle Ward, of dates 16th and 18th September, 1913; Lower Ward, of dates 19th and 30th September, 1913.

    (2) Public Health Committee, of dates 14th May, 2nd July, 24th September, and 1st October, 1913.

    Sub-Committee on Staffing Arrangements of Public Health Department, of dates 28th May and 25th June, 1913.

    (3) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 21st May 4th and 25th June, 30th July, and 6th August, 1913.

    Sub-Committee regarding proposed extension of Burgh of Renfrew, of date 7th May, 1913.

    Sub-Committee on Lanark County Tramways, of dates 4th June, 30th July, 10th September, and 1st October, 1913.

    Sub-Committee regarding proposed extension of Glasgow Corporation Tramways to Coatbridge, of date 18th June, 1913.

    Conference regarding proposed extension of Glasgow Corporation Tramways, of dates 30th July and 2nd October, 1913.

    Joint-Meeting regarding Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913, of dates 25th June and 16th July, 1913.

(4) Executive Committee, of dates 21st May, 25th June, and 10th September, 1913.

If so resolved remit to Executive Committee to make application for renewal of Wild Birds Protection Order, with power to suggest such modification of the Order as may be considered advisable.

Meeting of Representatives of County Local Authorities regarding Tuberculosis Order of 1913, of date 5th May, 1913.

(5) General Purposes Committee, of dates 21st May, 11th June, 30th July, 24th September, and 1st October, 1913.

(6) Committee on Electric Lighting Orders, of date 28th May, 1913.

(7) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 28th May and 3rd September, 1913.

(8) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 28th May, 18th June, 25th June, and 24th September, 1913.

(9) Committee on National Insurance Act—Provision of Sanatoria, of dates 30th July and 6th August, 1913.

Joint Sub-Committee, of dates 28th May and 5th June, 1913.

(10) Finance Committee, of dates 4th June, 2nd July, 3rd September, and 1st October, 1913.

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £200 for the completion of Public Slaughter-house at Forth.

(*b*) £50 for new distributing pipe at Roadmeetings, within the Carluke Special Water District.

(*c*) £150 for the extension of outfall sewer of Crosslaw Special Drainage District to allow of additional land being irrigated.

(*d*) £160 for the construction of new sewers in new street off Glasgow Road and in Bowling Green Road, within the Strathaven Special Drainage District.

(*e*) £50 for the extension of distributing main, and construction of hatch boxes on pipes at fountain head in Blackwood Special Water District.

(*f*) £100 for the fencing of grounds at Blantyre Hospital.

(*g*) £250 for the completion of Strathaven Public Slaughter-house.

(*h*) £400 for the completion of Shotts Public Slaughter-house.

(*i*) £1,400 for the construction of a Public Slaughter-house at Baillieston.

(*j*) £1,000 for the construction of a new sewer, &c., in connection with the drainage of houses at Aitkenhead, within the Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District.

(*k*) £1,475 for the construction of new sewers, in connection with the Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District.

(*l*) £300 for the purchase of an additional property in Green Street, Strathaven, for the purpose of improving the highway.

(*m*) £300 for the provision of a new office, &c., at Blantyre Public Slaughter-house.

(*n*) £3,000 for the construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District, for the year 1913-14.

(*o*) £500 for the completion of the works in connection with the making up of Tinker's Lane, in the Parish of Dalziel, for adoption as a highway.

(*p*) £230 for the provision and erection of a steam hoist at the Destructor, in connection with the Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District.

(*q*) £192 for the provision and erection of lamps within the Blantyre Special Lighting District.

(*r*) £34 for the provision and erection of bracket lamps within the Bothwell Special Lighting District.

(*s*) £450 for the provision and erection of lamps, &c., in connection with the lighting of the eastern portion of the Cambuslang Special Lighting District.

(*t*) £400 for the introduction of a system of automatic lighting, in connection with the Larkhall Special Lighting District.

(*u*) £2,700 for the erection of a new gate lodge, waiting-room, and dispensary at Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell.

(*v*) £450 for the formation of an embankment at the north-east end of the grounds of the Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell.

(*w*) £100 for wayleaves and tenants' surface damages, in connection with the laying of the additional pipe from the springs at Lowriesmuir to Lesmahagow Special Water District.

(*x*) £30 for laying a distributing pipe in new street at Coalburn, in the Lesmahagow Special Water District.

(*y*) £135 for laying a new 3-inch distributing pipe, from the Church at Crawford to the Crawford Hotel, in Crawford Special Water District.

(*z*) £25 for laying a 3-inch distributing water pipe in Kirkstyle Road, in Carluke Special Water District.

(*aa*) £60 for erection of twelve additional lamps in Carluke Special Lighting District.

(*bb*) £2,600 for intercepting sewage presently discharged into Jock's Burn from Carluke Special Drainage District.

(*cc*) £20 for extension of sewer in Kirkstyle Road, in Carluke Special Drainage District.

(*dd*) £350 for additional alterations at the District Offices, Hamilton.

(*ee*) £260 for an extension of the existing garage at the District Offices, Hamilton.

(*ff*) £1,000 for constructing two new bridges in the Parish of Douglas, (1) over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, and (2) for flood-water from Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway.

Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, of dates 9th and 30th July, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Airdrie Sheriff Court Houses, of dates 3rd September and 1st October, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Glasgow Compensation Money, of date 3rd September, 1913.

Meeting of Collectors regarding House Letting Act, of date 3rd September, 1913.

(11) Elections Committee, of dates 4th and 25th June, 20th August, and 17th September, 1913.

Appointment of County Clerk as Returning Officer for Election of County Council and Parish Councils.

Fix date for first meeting of new Council.

(12) Committee on Special Districts, of date 25th June, 1913.

(13) Committee on Lanark Court Houses, &c., of date 7th July, 1913.

Sub-Committee, of date 13th June, 1913.

Communication from Secretary for Scotland regarding proposed alterations.

(14) County Road Board, of date 3rd September, 1913.

Committee on Regulation of Traffic on Roads, of date 28th May, 1913.

(15) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 17th September, 1913.

(16) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of date 25th April, 1913.

(17) Explosives Committee (Airdrie District), of date 8th May, 9th June, 3rd and 10th July, and 3rd September, 1913.

19. Communication from District Committee of Middle Ward, of date 1st October, 1913, requesting the County Council to promote a Provisional Order conferring powers upon the District Committee to undertake the supply of gas for public and private lighting in the Blantyre District.

20. Report proceedings of meeting of Parliamentary Bills Committee, held 8th October, 1913.

21. Communication from National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland), of date 20th September, 1913, directing attention to the provisions of Section 6 of the National Insurance Act, 1913, which deals with employment under local and public authorities.

22. Communication from Secretary to Glasgow Veterinary College.

23. Notice of Motion by Mr. J. Raeside Auld—"That the Lower Ward of Lanarkshire be amalgamated with the Middle Ward of Lanarkshire."

24. Document for signature:—

Minute of Agreement between the County Council and Archibald Dominic Smith Sligo, of Inzievar and Carmyle regarding Bogleshole Ford.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

8th May, 1913.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Thursday, the 8th day of May, 1913, being the May Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the notice hereinafter inserted.

Present—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld
J. P. Baird.
James Cameron.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
D. Kinloch Michie.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
Andrew Murdoch.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
John Todd.
Thomas Watt.
John M. Loudon.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.
William M. Marshall.
James T. Macdonald.

Chairman.

Colonel King Stewart, Convener of the County, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting in terms of Section 73 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *29th April, 1913.*

Sir,

I am to intimate that the Statutory May Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, *on Thursday, 8th proximo, at Twelve o'clock noon,* for the purpose of receiving and disposing of the Minutes and Reports of Committees, and any communications from the District Committees, and of appointing Committees, Commissions, and Boards so far as these fall to be then appointed.

The Council may, if they so resolve, proceed, in terms of Section 33 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, to fill the vacancy in the Lesmahagow Electoral Division of the County caused by the resignation of Mr. John D. Scott.

It will fall to the meeting to appoint, in terms of the Licensing Order, 1913, made by the Secretary for Scotland, an additional member of the Licensing Court for No. III. (Bellshill) District of the Middle Ward and an additional member of the Middle Ward Appeal Court rendered necessary by the increase of the population of that district.

The Council will also be asked to appoint 14 members of the Insurance Committee for the County, and in addition two other members who must be duly qualified medical practitioners.

Prints of the Minutes of Special Meetings of the Council held on 29th January and 16th April, 1913, are sent herewith.

Prints of Minutes of Committees and of Reports, &c., will be sent to you before the date of Meeting.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

P.S.—A Meeting of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, immediately after the Meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of the County, which is to be held on the same day, at Two o'clock p.m., for the appointment of a Chairman and Sub-Committees, and the transaction of other business

Minutes of Special meetings.

The Minutes of two Special Meetings of the Council held on 29th January and of one held on 16th April, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Resignation of Mr. John Scott, representative of Lesmahagow Electoral Division.

The Clerk submitted a letter dated 4th February, 1913, from Mr. John D. Scott, intimating his resignation as a member of the County Council for the Lesmahagow Electoral Division.

The Convener moved that there be recorded in the Minutes of the Council an expression of their high appreciation of the long and valuable services rendered to the County by Mr. Scott, and their regret at the severance of his connection with the County Council, which was seconded by Mr. Robert Lambie, and unanimously agreed to.

The meeting having accepted Mr. Scott's resignation, the Clerk submitted and read two petitions by ratepayers in the Lesmahagow Electoral Division in favour of the appointment of Mr. Kerr A. Simpson, solicitor, Lesmahagow to the vacancy.

Thereafter Mr. Lambie moved that the Council delay filling up the vacancy in view of the Election of the County Council in December next, which was seconded by Mr. Love.

By way of amendment Mr. Alexander Pillans moved that the Council proceed forthwith to fill up the vacancy, which was seconded by Mr. John Jackson.

On the amendment and motion being put to the meeting, and a vote being taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of the motion, which the Convener accordingly declared carried.

Licensing Order 1913.

The Clerk submitted a copy of the Licensing Order, 1913, made by the Secretary for Scotland, containing a revised statement of the populations of Licensing Districts, and he stated that, in accordance with the provisions of the Order, there would, in consequence of an increase in the population, fall to be appointed an additional member to the Licensing Court for No. III. (Bellshill) District of the Middle Ward, and also an additional member of the Appeal Court for the Middle Ward.

Appointment of additional member for No. III. (Bellshill) District of Middle Ward.

The meeting, having proceeded to the appointment of an additional member to the Licensing Court for No. III. (Bellshill) District of the Middle Ward, Mr. Marshall and Mr. Easson were each nominated for the appointment. On a vote being taken, by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of Mr. Marshall, and the Chairman declared Mr. Marshall to be duly appointed.

Appointment of additional member to Appeal Court for Middle Ward.

The meeting, having thereafter proceeded to the appointment of an additional member to the Appeal Court for the Middle Ward, Mr. Steele and Mr. Easson were each nominated for the appointment. On a vote being taken, by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of Mr. Steele, and the Chairman declared Mr. Steele to be duly appointed.

Appointment of National Health Insurance Committee for the County.

There was submitted a letter, from the Secretary of the National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland), of date 24th April, 1913, intimating that the Commissioners have determined that, as from 15th July, 1913, the Insurance Committee for this County shall consist of 70 members, and that this Council shall be entitled to appoint 14 members—two being women—and in addition two duly qualified Medical Practitioners. The meeting thereafter appointed the following to be members of the Insurance Committee for the County, viz.:—

Colonel King Stewart.
William Neilson.
J. P. Baird.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
David K. Michie.
James Steel.
William Speirs.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
James H. Fenton.
Alexander R. Mitchell.

Mrs. R. King Stewart, Murdostoun Castle, Newmains.
Mrs. Thomas F. Wilson, Flemington House, Uddingston.
Dr. John T. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
Dr. M'Nay, Larkhall.

Salary of Clerk and Treasurer to Lower Ward District Committee.

Under reference to the minutes of the Special Meeting of the County Council held on 29th January last, the Clerk submitted and read letters which he had received from Mr. James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, and which were in the following terms:—

"15 West George Street,
"Glasgow, 29th April, 1913.

"Dear Sir,

"I beg to refer to your letter of 22nd February in which you informed me that the County Council desired to be informed whether it is intended that the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer to the District Committee of the Lower Ward was intended to cover Parliamentary and Legal Work, and, if not, desired that an estimate of the fees for such work should be given on the basis of the fees paid during the last three years.

"At a meeting of the District Committee held yesterday, I was instructed to reply that it is not intended that the salary should cover Parliamentary and legal work, and that the fees paid for such work during the last three years, viz., 1909-10, 1910-11, and 1911-12 are as follows, viz.:—

	Legal Work.	Parliamentary Work.
1909-10, - - -	£26 13 2	£0 0 0
1910-11, - - -	55 14 2	61 0 8
1911-12, - - -	45 17 0	21 11 2
3	£128 4 4	£82 11 10
Annual average, -	£42 14 9	£27 10 7

"making together total average fees per annum, £70 5s. 4d.

"Yours faithfully,

"Jas. A. M'Callum."

"15 West George Street
"Glasgow, 7th May, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"You would probably notice that in my letter to you of 29th ultimo giving the average legal and Parliamentary fees for the last three years, nothing was said about the current year 1912-13, which is now practically completed and the amount of fees to be received in it known. The legal fees amount to £13 3s. 9d., and the Parliamentary fees to £273 18s. 10d. Of this amount £265 7s. 2d. represents the fees received in respect of the Glasgow Boundaries Bill, and the balance of the Parliamentary fees consists of £8 11s. 8d. received in respect of the Glasgow (General) Provisional Order.

"If these figures are added to the total for the three years given in my letter of 29th ultimo they bring out the total legal fees received for four years to be £141 8s. 1d., and the total Parliamentary fees £356 10s. 8d., making the average £35 7s. 0d. legal fees, and £89 2s. 8d. Parliamentary fees, together £124 9s. 8d. annual average, of Parliamentary and legal fees taken together.

"If, however, the Glasgow Boundaries Bill be left out of account, not merely as being quite exceptional, but also as tending to remove the probability of Parliamentary contests affecting the Lower Ward for many years to come, the figures work out—Legal fees for four years as before, £141 8s. 1d.; Parliamentary fees, £91 3s. 6d.; average, legal, £35 7s.; Parliamentary, £22 15s. 10d.; together, £58 2s. 10d., average annual amount of both Parliamentary and legal fees.

"Yours faithfully,

"JAS. A. M'CALLUM.

"*P.S.*—I may also add, though it is, I presume, perfectly well known, that the salaries as Clerk and Treasurer to the Lightburn Joint-Hospital Committee (Lower Ward, Middle Ward, and Glasgow) and the Rutherglen and Dalmarnock Joint Bridges Committee (Lower Ward, Glasgow, and Rutherglen), which represents additional work and responsibility to that of the District Committee, and which I obtained by separate elections, remain as before, viz.:—Lightburn Joint Hospital £80, and the Joint Bridges Committee £20.

"I may also add that the fees above given represent everything that my firm received. For example, in legal work, where a share of fees was received from other parties, as well as from the District Committee itself, the whole is entered.

"J. A. M."

Letter from Mr. Don. Dewar, Lambhill, conveying views of ratepayers in Stepps.

As relative to the subject-matter referred to in the above communications, the Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Don. Dewar, Lambhill, dated 5th current, stating that, at a largely attended meeting of ratepayers, held at Lambhill on 1st current, "a resolution was unanimously passed against the proposed remuneration of £1,050 per annum to the Lower Ward District Clerk."

Motion by Mr. Speirs.

After discussion, Mr. Speirs moved that the Council approve of the salary of the District Clerk and Treasurer as fixed by the District Committee of the Lower Ward, which was seconded by Mr. Marshall.

Amendment by Mr. Auld.

Mr. Auld, by way of amendment, moved a direct negative, which was seconded by Mr. Cameron.

Vote.

A vote having been taken by calling over the names of the members of the Council present and entitled to vote, there voted for Mr. Auld's amendment the following—

Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
James Cameron.
W. W. Chapman.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollock.
William Sym.
Thomas Watt.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.

eing 16 in all; and for Mr. Speir's motion the following—

John Adam.	Colonel Logan.
James Anderson.	D. Kinloch Michie.
J. P. Baird.	William Neilson.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Speirs.
George Fraser.	Colonel King Stewart.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	John Todd.
John Jackson.	William Marshall.

Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.

eing 15 in all.

The chairman accordingly declared Mr. Auld's amendment carried, and the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Committee of the Lower Ward of the Council's decision. *Mr. Auld's amendment carried.*

The meeting appointed the Rev. Mr. M'Kune to be the Council's representative on the Marshall Trust in room of Mr. Peter M. Martin who had resigned. *Appointment of representative to Marshall Trust.*

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council. *Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a report of the County Road Board (forming Appendix II. to this minute), which had also been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council. *Report of County Road Board.*

The Clerk submitted evidence of the advertisement and certificates of the posting of notices as required by the Act, together with Certificates by the Road Surveyors that the following roads recommended to be assumed as highways were in a condition to be taken over, viz.:— *Roads added to List of Highways.*

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

Parish of Avondale—

Ryeland Station Road, extending from its junction with East and West Highway, via Ryeland Station, to its junction with Waterhead, Peelhill, and Linbank (No. 5 Branch) Highway, a distance of 2 furlongs 120 yards or thereby.

Parish of Bothwell—

Holytown Station Road, from Measleybush Highway, northwards, a distance of 1 furlong 13 yards or thereby.

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE LOWER WARD.

Parishes of Cadder and Glasgow—

(1) Brackenbrae Road, from Kirkintilloch Road to Brackenbrae Avenue, a distance of 152 yards or thereby.

(2) Brackenbrae Avenue, from Kenmure Avenue to a point about 123 yards south-westwards from Brackenbrae Road, a distance of 1 furlong 211 yard or thereby.

(3) Kenmure Avenue, from Kirkintilloch Road to Brackenbrae Avenue, a distance of 162 yards or thereby.

The report of the County Road Board, so far as relating to the roads above mentioned, was unanimously adopted, and the meeting resolved that the said roads be added to the List of Highways made up in terms of Section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878.

Report by Committee on Re-adjustment of Electoral Divisions, &c.

There was submitted a report by the Committee appointed at the meeting of the Council held on 10th October, 1912, on the question of the re-adjustment of the Electoral Divisions of the Lower Ward, and proposals for alterations of Electoral Divisions or Parish Wards in other parts of the County (forming Appendix III. to this minute) which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council. The report was unanimously approved of and the meeting, in accordance with the recommendation made by the Committee, agreed that the Committee be enlarged for the purpose of giving effect to the report and carrying out all arrangements in connection with the elections of County Councils and Parish Councils in December next, and appointed the following to be the Committee, viz.:—

Committee enlarged.

Colonel Buchanan.
Walter C. B. Christie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William M. Marshall.
William Neilson.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Sym.
James C. Hope Vere.

Report by Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures for the year ending 31st March last (forming Appendix IV. to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Reports of Analyst under Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there were laid before the meeting reports by the Public Analyst upon articles analysed by him during the quarters ending 31st December, 1912, and 31st March, 1913 (forming Appendices V. and VI. to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Reports of Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

Reports by the District Analyst under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act for the quarters ending 31st December, 1912, and 31st March, 1913 (forming Appendices VII. and VIII. to this minute), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were submitted.

Return of expenses of deputations.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a return of the expenses of deputations for the year 1912 (forming Appendix IX. to this minute) which had been prepared in accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Council at their meetings on 11th May, 1899, and 15th December, 1908, and which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

County Medical Officer's Report.

The Clerk laid upon the table, in draft form, the County Medical Officer's Report for the year 1912, prints of which would, he stated, be sent when completed, to each member of the Council.

Reports of Sanitary Inspectors.

There were also laid upon the table copies of the Reports of the County Sanitary Inspectors for the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards of the County for the year 1912, the report for the Middle Ward being in draft.

Minutes of Committees.

The following minutes of committees and Sub-Committees, and of the County Road Board, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

(1) General Purposes Committee, of dates 29th January, 19th February, 12th March, and 2nd April, 1913.
Sub-Committee regarding Shotts Public Hall, of date 25th February, 1913.

(2) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 29th January, 10th and 26th February, 12th and 19th March, and 4th April, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Arrangements consequent upon Glasgow Boundaries Act, &c., of dates 4th December, 1912, 16th and 22nd January, and 2nd, 9th, and 23rd April, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Lanarkshire Tramways, of dates 29th January and 9th April, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Blantyre Gas, of dates 5th and 19th February, and 9th April, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, of dates 19th and 27th March, and 4th, 11th, and 23rd April, 1913.

(3) Fire Brigades Committee, of date 29th January, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Telephones, of date 22nd January, 1913.

(4) Finance Committee, of dates 5th February, 5th March, and 2nd and 23rd April, 1913.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting thereafter resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener or Vice-Convener and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the several applications, viz.:—

(*a*) £17,400 for the construction of intercepting and outfall sewers and sewage tanks at Threeneuk in connection with the Cambuslang Special Drainage District.

(*b*) £2,500 for the provision of additional accommodation at Stonehouse Hospital.

(*c*) £200 for the provision of additional accommodation at the District Offices, Hamilton.

(*d*) £170 for the extension of sewer in Peveril Avenue and erection of ventilating shafts at Burnside within Rutherglen (Landward) Special Drainage District.

(*e*) £162 for the completion of Airbles Highway Improvement near Middle Ward Hospital.

(*f*) £450 for the completion of the recent additions at Shotts Hospital, including the cost of heating, &c., plant.

(*g*) £1,396 for the completion of the recent additions at Stonehouse Hospital, including the cost of heating, &c., plant.

(*h*) £500 for the laying of 760 yards of 5-inch steel tubes to lead in additional springs to the Lesmahagow Special Water Supply District.

(*i*) £3,100 for the provision of additional ward accommodation at Bothwell Hospital, Bells hill.

(*j*) £1,950 for the provision of an additional wooden pavilion, &c., at Shotts Hospital.

(*k*) £682 7s. for the construction of works necessary for the protection of the high level water tanks at Craigend, within the South Cadder Special Water District.

(*l*) £110 for the laying of a fireclay pipe sewer in the bed of the burn alongside Drumcavil Road within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

Sub-Committee on Airdrie Sheriff Court Houses, of date 22nd January, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Remuneration of Collectors of County Rates, of dates 5th and 26th March, and 16th April, 1913.

(5) Executive Committee, of dates 5th February, 5th March, and 2nd April, 1913.

Meeting with other Counties on Tuberculosis Order, of date 14th April, 1913.

(6) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of dates 5th February and 23rd April, 1913.

(7) Committee on National Insurance Act, of date 5th February, 1913.

(8) Joint-Committee on Housing and Town-Planning, of date 5th February, 1913.

(9) Sub-Committee on Lanark Court Houses, &c., of dates 17th February and 17th March, 1913.

(10) County Road Board, of dates 26th February and 30th April, 1913.

(11) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 26th February, 26th March, and 23rd April, 1913.

(12) Committee on Relations of Standing Joint-Committee, of dates 26th February, 26th March, and 30th April. 1913.

Joint Meetings of Committees of County Council and of Sub-Committee of Standing Joint-Committee regarding Powers and Duties of Standing Joint-Committee, of dates 2nd and 9th April, 1913.

(13) Public Health Committee, of dates 5th March and 9th April, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Middle Ward Building Bye-Laws, of date 22nd January, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Milk Standard, of date 26th February, 1913.

(14) Committee regarding Future Use of Hairmyres Reformatory, of date 5th March, 1913.

(15) Joint-Committee on Provision of Sanatoria, of date 5th March, 1913.

Sub-Committee, of dates 19th March and 16th April, 1913.

(16) Committee on Appeals against Assessments, Upper Ward, of date 17th March, 1913; Airdrie District, of date 19th March, 1913; Hamilton District, of date 19th March, 1913; Lower Ward, of date 19th March, 1913.

(17) Explosives Committee (Airdrie District), of dates 20th December, 1912, and 2nd April, 1913.

(18) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of date 31st January, 1913.

(19) Joint-Bridges Committee, of date 16th February, 1912

Relations of Standing Joint Committee and County Council.
Motion by Convener.
Amendment by Mr. Hamilton.

The approval of the minutes having been moved by the Convener, and seconded by the Vice-Convener, Mr. Hamilton, with reference to the minutes of the Committee appointed in connection with the relations of the Standing Joint Committee and the County Council, moved, by way of amendment, that the County Council do not delegate its powers to the Standing Joint Committee, which was seconded by Mr. J. Raeside Auld.

Motion carried.

On the amendment and motion being put to the meeting, and a vote being taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of the motion, which the Chairman declared carried.

The meeting accordingly resolved and hereby resolve, subject as aftermentioned to delegate to the Standing Joint-Committee for Police, &c., the following powers:—

(1) To increase or diminish the number of the Police Force, provided that the said Committee shall, from time to time, report to the County Council any increase in the number of the Police Force which they authorise.

(2) To provide suitable lock-ups, station houses, and houses for constables, either by purchasing, hiring, or building, provided that in the event of the said Committee proposing to build lock-ups, station houses, and houses for contables, they shall, before the site of such lock-up, station house, or house for constables is acquired, report the matter to the County Council.

(3) To form Police Districts and to arrange consolidation Agreements with Burghs, provided that the said Committee shall, from time to time, report to the County Council as to any Police Districts they may form and any Consolidation Agreements they may enter into.

Approval of minutes.

The meeting thereafter, subject to the foregoing resolutions, unanimously approved of the minutes of the County Road Board, and of the Committees and Sub-Committees above-mentioned.

Appointment of committees.

The meeting thereafter proceeded to appoint, and appointed the following committees, viz.:—

I.—Quota of Standing Joint-Committee.

James Anderson.
J. P. Baird.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
William Speirs.

II.—Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts (also Committee under Small Holdings Act).

J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
James Cameron.
W. W. Chapman.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Charles A. Easson.
Samuel Forrest.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
David K. Michie.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollock.
James Prentice.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

It was intimated that this committee have entrusted to them, in terms of the Diseases of Animals Acts, all the powers of the Local Authority, except the power to levy a rate.

III.—Finance Committee.

William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Thomas G. Cowan.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
Alexander Pillans.
(Vacancy).
William Speirs.
William Templeton.
John Todd.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.

The committee were vested with all the powers which the County Council can competently delegate to them as a Finance Committee.

IV.—Valuation Committees.

(1) *For the Upper Ward.*

J. P. Baird.
Sir Nathaniel Dunlop.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Walter Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Andrew Murdoch.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

(2) *For the Middle Ward.*

John Baxter.
Colonel Buchanan.
Thomas G. Cowan.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
John M. Loudon.
John Loudon.
William Love.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
James Prentice.
Robert Sharp.
George Stalker.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

(3) *For the Lower Ward.*

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
D. Kinloch Michie.
William Speirs.

V.—Committee for Managing the Court Houses and the County Buildings at Hamilton.

Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
James Cameron.
George Fraser.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
William M. Marshall.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
James Steele.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.

VI.—Committee for Managing the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark.

J. P. Baird.
Sir Nathaniel Dunlop.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Walter Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Rev Christopher M'Kune
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

8th May, 1913.

VII.—The County Council's Quota of the Commission under the Act 3 and 4 William IV., Cap. 108, for Managing and Maintaining Public Offices at Lanark other than the Sheriff Court Houses.

J. P. Baird.
Sir Nathaniel Dunlop.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Walter Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kun-
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere

VIII.—The County's Quota of the Glasgow Court House Commission.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
Sir Nathaniel Dunlop.
D. Kinloch Michie.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.

IX.—Committee on Parliamentary Bills.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
Colonel Buchanan.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
William M. Marshall.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

The Council agreed that this committee be vested with powers to watch over and attend to Bills in Parliament or Provisional Orders, excepting those that the Council may remit to any other committee, and to take such steps thereanent as they may consider necessary, and to oppose or support any measure, local or otherwise, which, in their opinion, affects the interests of the County, and for these purposes to petition Parliament in name of the Council and to employ agents and counsel and witnesses, and to do otherwise and farther in relation thereto as they may consider proper, and as the Council collectively could do.

X.—Committee on Fire Brigades.

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
Samuel Forrest.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Walter Lindsay.
William M. Marshall.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
Alexander Pillans.
Robert Sharp.
William Sym.
John Todd.
Thomas Watt.

XI.—Committees to represent the Council as Local Authority under the Explosives Acts.

(1) *For Lanark Justice of Peace District.*

J. P. Baird.
Sir Nathaniel Dunlop.
James H. Fenton
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

(2) *For Hamilton Justice of Peace District.*

Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
Wm. L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
George Stalker.
James Steele.
John Todd.
James Tonner.

(3) *For Airdrie Justice of Peace District.*

John Baxter.
Colonel Buchanan.
W. W. Chapman.
John Loudon.
James Prentice.
Robert Sharp.
Thomas Watt.

(4) *For Glasgow Justice of Peace District.*

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
D. Kinloch Michie.
William Speirs.

XII.—Committee on Weights and Measures.

W. W. Chapman.
Thomas G. Cowan.
William Davie.
Charles A. Easson.
Alexander Hamilton.
Colonel Logan.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
David K. Michie.
Andrew Murdoch.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.

The Council resolved that this committee be entrusted with all the powers of the Council as Local Authority under the Weights and Measures Acts.

XIII.—Public Health Committee.

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
J. P. Baird.
John Baxter.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
Thomas G. Cowan.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart. Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
D. Kinloch Michie.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

XIV.—Committee on Special Districts.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
John Baxter.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
D. Kinloch Michie.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
Gavin A Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
John Todd.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.

The above committee were entrusted with all the powers of the Council with respect to the formation or extension of special lighting and scavenging districts under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, and amending Acts.

XV.—Committee under Inebriates Acts.

J. Raeside Auld.
William Barr.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
Alexander Hamilton.
William Love.
Dr. Robertson.
Gavin A. Shanks.

To this committee were entrusted all the powers of the Council under the Inebriates Acts.

XVI.—Joint Sub-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting and Refuse Destruction Works.

Colonel Buchanan.
Owen Coyle.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks.
John Todd
James Tonner.

XVII.—Electric Lighting Orders.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
Thomas Arnot.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.
James C. Hope Vere.

XVIII.—General Purposes Committee.

Colonel Buchanan.
William Davie.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
Colonel Logan.
John Loudon.
James T. Macdonald.
William Speirs.
William Sym.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

It was agreed to entrust this committee with all the powers which the County Council can competently delegate to them under the Shops Act, 1912.

XIX.—National Insurance Committee.

J. P. Baird.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
David K. Michie.
William Speirs.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

XX.—Representatives to County Councils' Association.

George Fraser.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
James C. Hope Vere.
The County Clerk.

XXI.—Business Committee.

The Convener, Vice-Convener, and the Chairmen of the several District Committees.

The Convener and Vice-Convener were, in terms of the Standing Orders appointed *ex officio* members of all committees and sub-committees, with the exception of such committees as are limited by law in point of numbers, and to which they had not otherwise been appointed.

The meeting agreed that each committee should appoint its own chairman and fix its own quorum, except in cases where the quorum is regulated by statute.

Communication from Secretary of Association of County Councils in Scotland on subject of Provision of Sanatoria.

There having been submitted communications from the Secretary of the Association of County Councils in Scotland, on the subject of the Provision of Sanatoria, the meeting agreed to remit them to the National Insurance Committee.

By-laws relating to Places for Public Refreshment, &c. — Petitions from keepers of Refreshment Shops asking for an amendment.

The Clerk laid upon the table Petitions from keepers of Refreshment Shops in the County asking for an amendment of the By-laws for Regulating the hours of opening and closing of Places of Public Refreshment, &c., and requesting that a deputation be heard in support of the Petitions. The meeting, after consideration, remitted the matter to the General Purposes Committee, with powers.

Communication from Upper Ward District Committee as to salary of District Clerk and Treasurer.

There was submitted a communication from the District Committee of the Upper Ward of date 18th March, 1913, fixing the salary of the District Clerk and Treasurer at £335 as from 15th February, 1913, and relieving him of the condition attached to the appointment, viz., that of providing all clerical assistance necessary for the carrying out of the duties of the office. The meeting approved.

New scheme made by Army Council for Constitution of Territorial Force Association of County.

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Secretary, War Office, London, of date 25th April, 1913, transmitting copies of a new scheme made by the Army Council for the Constitution of the Territorial Force Association of the County of Lanark.

Documents for execution.

There having been submitted the following documents for execution, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the Common Seal of the County, viz.:—

1. Charter of Novodamus and Feu Charter by Robert Lockhart Alston in favour of the County Council in connection with Stonehouse Hospital.
2. Specification for the proposed Tramways between Uddingston, New Stevenston, and Holytown.
3. Bond for use, free of duty, of Motor Spirit on Fire Brigade Engines.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 11th June, 1913, being a Special General Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notices hereinafter inserted. 11th June, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
D. Kinloch Michie.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
John Todd.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
John M. Loudon.
William L. Dyer.
William M. Marshall.
Samuel Forrest.
James T. Macdonald.

Colonel King Stewart, Convener of the County, took the chair. *Chairman.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from Sir Nathaniel Dunlop, Mr. James Hamilton Houldsworth, and Mr. James Steele. *Apologies for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms:— *Notice calling meeting*

"County Offices,
Hamilton, *29th May, 1913.*

Sir,

I am to request your attendance at a Special Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark to be held within the Sheriff's

11*th June*, 1913.

ORDINARY COURT, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 11th June, 1913, at Two o'clock afternoon*, for the purpose, *inter alia*, of considering, and if so agreed, resolving to oppose the following Provisional Order or Private Bill (Scottish Office), viz:—

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification:—"To extend the boundaries of the Burgh of Motherwell and the compulsory limits of water supply; to confer further powers as to water supply; to construct and maintain sewers and sewage purification works; to acquire lands; to borrow money; and for other purposes,"

of all which Notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and of the Act 35 and 36 Vict. cap. 91.

A Print of the Minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee relative to the above-named Order or Bill will be sent to you before the date of meeting.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk."

Newspaper notice of meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting copies of the *Glasgow Herald*, of dates 28th and 30th May, the *Hamilton Advertiser*, of date 31st May, and *Lanarkshire*, of date 28th May, containing a notice of the meeting, as required by Statute, the notice being in the following terms:—

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNTY COUNCIL of the COUNTY of LANARK will be held within the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 11th June, 1913, at Two o'clock afternoon*, for the purpose, *inter alia*, of considering and if so agreed, resolving to oppose the following Provisional Order or Private Bill (Scottish Office), viz:—

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification.

'To extend the Boundaries of the Burgh of Motherwell and the Compulsory Limits of Water Supply; to confer further powers as to Water Supply; to construct and maintain Sewers and Sewage Purification Works; to acquire Lands; to borrow Money; and for other purposes.'

Of all which notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1899 and of the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 27th May, 1913."

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

The Clerk also read a supplementary notice which had been issued prior to the meeting, which was in the following terms:— *Supplementary notice.*

"COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 5*th June*, 1913.

SIR,

I am to intimate that the County Council at their SPECIAL MEETING to be held at Glasgow, *on Wednesday next, 11th current, at 2 o'clock p.m.*, will, in addition to the business stated in the notice already sent to you, be asked to consider the following matters, viz.:—

(1) Minutes of the Elections Committee, of date 4th current, containing *inter alia* suggestions for an alteration or modification of the proposals submitted to the last meeting of the County Council with regard to the re-adjustment of the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward;

(2) A proposal to authorise the Standing Joint Committee to acquire, should they see fit, sites for police stations at (1) Burnside, (2) Bishopbriggs, (3) Baillieston, and (4) Mount Vernon; and to instruct the preparation of plans for the erection of police stations at the several places named and to take estimates; and

(3) A further communication from the District Committee of the Lower Ward with regard to the salary of the District Clerk and Treasurer.

There will be sent to you before the date of meeting copies of the Minutes of the Elections Committee and of the communication from the Lower Ward District Committee above referred to.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk"

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the minutes of the Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 21st May and 4th June, 1913, prints of which had been sent to each member of the Council. *Minutes of Parliamentary Bills Committee.*

Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. Neilson, moved that the County Council approve of these minutes, and in terms of the recommendation contained in the minute of 21st May resolve to oppose the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order. *Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Order. —Motion by Mr. Fraser.*

By way of amendment, Mr. Dyer, seconded by Mr. John M. Loudon, moved that the Council do not oppose the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order. *Amendment by Mr. Dyer.*

A discussion having followed, the motion and amendment were put to the meeting, and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, an absolute majority of the whole number of the Council voted in favour of the motion—the amendment being supported by only three members. *Vote taken.*

Motion carried.—Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

The Chairman thereupon declared the motion to be carried, and the meeting remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee, with full powers, to take such steps as they may consider advisable to carry out the resolution of the Council, or to adjust with the promoters, as they may see fit, satisfactory clauses for the protection of the County Council and District Committees in the event of circumstances permitting of an amicable settlement.

New Police Stations.—Remit to Standing Joint Committee.

The Convener, seconded by the Vice-Convener, moved that the Council delegate to the Standing Joint-Committee powers to acquire sites, prepare plans, and erect new Police Stations proposed at (1) Bishopbriggs, (2) Burnside, (3) Baillieston, and (4) Mount Vernon, subject to the condition that before acceptance of any offers these be submitted to the Finance Committee of the County Council for approval.

Amendment by Mr. Tonner.

Mr. Tonner, seconded by Mr. Cameron, moved by way of amendment that before delegating to the Standing Joint-Committee such power, a report setting forth the reasons rendering the erection of the proposed police stations necessary with a statement of the probable cost of each be submitted to the County Council.

Motion carried.

On a vote being taken by way of a show of hands, the motion was declared carried by 22 votes to 9.

Salary of Clerk to Lower Ward District Committee.

There was submitted the following letter from the Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee:—

"15 West George Street,
Glasgow, 3rd June, 1913.

Dear Sir,

SALARY OF CLERK AND TREASURER.

I submitted your letter of 9th ult. to the District Committee. The Committee reconsidered the whole matter carefully and, having the whole facts before them, were satisfied that the salary formerly fixed by them was fair and reasonable; but, out of deference to the Council and with a view to settling this matter which has remained so long undetermined, they resolved to fix the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer at £1,000 per annum—to cover the salaries of the staff (which amount to £650 per annum) and outlays for office rent, taxes and assessments, heating, lighting, cleaning, and generally all charges for office accommodation (which amount to £150 per annum additional)—the salary to be subject to the approval of the County Council, and to be payable half out of Public Health and half out of Highways Assessments.

I am to request that you will bring this communication before the County Council at the earliest opportunity.

Yours faithfully,
JAS. A. M'CALLUM."

Motion by Convener.

The Convener, seconded by Mr. Speirs, moved that the Council approve of the salary fixed by the Lower Ward District Committee.

Amendment by Mr. Auld.

Mr. J. Raeside Auld moved by way of amendment that the Council do not approve of the salary proposed, which was seconded by Mr. Davie.

Mr. Marshall having raised the question as to whether the representatives of the Police Burghs had the right to act and vote in connection with this matter, the Convener ruled that on the issue as submitted they were not entitled to vote.

A vote having been taken by calling over the names of the members present and entitled to vote, there voted for the motion:— *Vote taken.*

John Adam,
James Anderson,
William Barr,
Colonel Buchanan,
James Cameron,
James H. Fenton,
George Fraser,
John Jackson,
Robert Lambie,
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart,
Colonel Logan,
D. Kinloch Michie,
Alexander R. Mitchell,
Rev. Christopher M'Kune,
William Neilson,
Gavin A. Shanks,
William Speirs,
Colonel King Stewart,
William Templeton,
John Todd,
James C. Hope Vere,

being 21 in all; and for the amendment:—

J. Raeside Auld,
William Davie,
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold,
Alexander Hamilton,
William Love,
James Prentice,
William Sym,
James Tonner,

being 8 in all.

The Chairman thereupon declared the motion carried.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the minutes of the Committee on Elections, of date 4th June, 1913, a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council. *Minutes of Committee on Elections.*

The meeting approved of the minutes and of the recommendation contained therein.

As the matter was one of public interest and of considerable importance to County and Burgh Authorities, Colonel Buchanan, Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, referred to the Judgment pronounced by the Justiciary Court in the Appeal by Ferrucio Lena against a conviction by the Justice of Peace Court at Lanark, for a breach of the By-laws made by the County Council Regulating the Hours of Opening and Closing of Registered Places for Public Refreshment, in respect of his having kept open his Registered premises contrary to the By-laws, and he stated that it was satisfactory to know that the objections of the Appellant both on the question of the competency and relevancy of the Complaint had been repelled and the decision of the Justice of Peace Court sustained. *Refreshment Shop By-laws.—Case of Ferrucio Lena—Judgment of Justiciary Court.*

There having been submitted the following documents for execution, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the common seal of the Council, viz.:— *Deeds for signature.*

(1) Memorial to the Chancellor of the Exchequer by the Corporation of Glasgow and others urging that steps be taken to have a branch of the Inland Revenue Department established in Glasgow to deal with Death Duties and Stamp Duties.

(2) Conveyance by the County Council in favour of Lord Hamilton of Dalzell of the existing feu and minerals at the Middle Ward Hospital at Motherwell.

(A new Feu Charter is to be granted by Lord Hamilton in favour of the County Council, embracing the existing feu and the additional feu recently acquired.)

(3) Contract of Excambion between the County Council of Lanark and Colonel Sprot of Garnkirk, in connection with metal magazines near Muirhead on the Glasgow and Stirling Road.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council, held on 8th May last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the respective capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans, to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the several districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

(1) Extension of outfall sewer of Crosslaw Special Drainage District to allow of additional land being irrigated, at an estimated cost of £150.

(2) Completion of Public Slaughter-house at Forth, in the Parish of Carnwath, at an estimated cost of £200.

(3) New distributing pipe to Roadmeetings in Carluke Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £50.

(4) Laying of 760 yards of 5-inch steel tubes to lead in additional springs to the Lesmahagow Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £500.

(5) Extension of distributing main and construction of hatch boxes on pipes at fountainhead within the Blackwood Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £50.

(6) Laying a distributing pipe in new street at Coalburn, in the Lesmahagow Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £30.

(7) Wayleaves and tenants' surface damages in connection with the laying of the additional pipe from the springs at Lowriesmuir to the Lesmahagow Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £100.

(8) Laying a new 3-inch distributing pipe from the Church at Crawford to the Crawford Hotel in Crawford Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £135.

(9) Erection of 12 additional lamps in Carluke Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £60.

(10) Extension of sewer in Kirkstile Road in Carluke Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £20.

(11) Scheme for intercepting sewage presently discharged into Jock's Burn from Carluke Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £2,600.

(12) Laying a 3-inch distributing water-pipe in Kirkstile Road in Carluke Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £25.

Middle Ward.

(1) Provision of additional ward accommodation at Bothwell Hospital, Bellshill, at an estimated cost of £3,100.

(2) Provision of an additional wooden pavilion, &c., at Shotts Hospital, at an estimated cost of £1,950.

(3) Construction of new sewers in new street off Glasgow Road and Bowling Green Road, Strathaven, within the Strathaven Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £160.

(4) The fencing of the grounds at Blantyre Hospital, at an estimated cost of £100.

(5) The completion of Strathaven Public Slaughter-house, at an estimated cost of £250.

(6) Completion of Shotts Public Slaughter-house, at an estimated cost of £400.

(7) Construction of a Public Slaughter-house at Baillieston, at an estimated cost of £1,400.

(8) Construction of a new sewer, &c., in connection with the drainage of houses at Aitkenhead, within the Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £1,000.

(9) Construction of new sewers in connection with the Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £1,475.

(10) Purchase of an additional property in Green Street, Strathaven, for the purpose of improving the highway, at an estimated cost of £300.

(11) Provision of a new office, &c., at Blantyre Public Slaughter-house, at an estimated cost of £300.

(12) Construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District for the year 1913-14, at an estimated cost of £3,000.

(13) Completion of the works in connection with the making up of Tinker's Lane, in the Parish of Dalzell, for adoption as a highway, at an estimated cost of £500.

(14) Provision and erection of a steam hoist at the Destructor, in connection with the Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District, at an estimated cost of £230.

(15) Provision and erection of lamps within the Blantyre Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £192.

(16) Provision and erection of Bracket Lamps within the Bothwell Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £34.

(17) Provision and erection of lamps, &c., in connection with the lighting of the eastern portion of the Cambuslang Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £450.

(18) Introduction of a system of automatic lighting in connection with the Larkhall Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £400.

(19) Erection of a new gate lodge and waiting room, &c., at the Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell, at an estimated cost of £2,700.

(20) Formation of an embankment at the north-east end of the Middle Ward Hospital Grounds, at Motherwell, at an estimated cost of £450.

(21) Extension of garage at the District Offices, Hamilton, at an estimated cost of £260.

(22) Additional alterations at the District Offices, Hamilton, at an estimated cost of £350.

Lower Ward.

(1) Laying of a 9-inch diameter fireclay pipe sewer in the bed of the burn alongside Drumcavil Road within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District for the purpose of obviating the pollution of the burn, at an estimated cost of £110.

(2) The construction of works necessary for the protection of the High Level Water Tanks at Craigend within the South Cadder Special Water District, at an estimated cost of £682 7s.

County Road Board.

Constructing two new bridges in the Parish of Douglas—(1) over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, and (2) for flood water from Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway, at an estimated cost of £1,000.

The Committee have also given their consent to the undertaking of the following capital works, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) Widening and improvment of Caldercruix Highway opposite Caldercruix Parish Church, in the Parish of Shotts, at an estimated cost of £50.

(2) Improvement works proposed to be carried out within the Middle Ward District with the aid of grants from the Imperial Road Board, at an estimated cost of £828.

(3) Widening of the north side of Peel Highway, near Thorntonhall, in the Parish of East Kilbride, at an estimated cost of £33.

(4) Widening and improving of the Newmill Highway between Fairhill and Laighstonehall, near Hamilton, in the Parish of Hamilton, at an estimated cost of £65.

Lower Ward.

(1) Erection of six additional lamps in the Burnside area of the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £24.

(2) Erection of a urinal at Lambhill, at an estimated cost of £46 11s. 6d.

WM. NEILSON,

ALEX. HAMILTON,

Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,

County Clerk.

October, 1913.

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COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF CONSENT

BY THE

STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE

TO

CAPITAL WORKS AND BORROWING

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNTY

COUNCIL

ON

THURSDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 1913.

THE COUNTY CLERK.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE COUNTY ROAD BOARD

TO THE

STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

Thursday, 9th October, 1913.

ACCOUNTS.

As required by the Statute, the Abstracts of the Accounts of the County Fund for last financial year will be laid before the Council. They contain the Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of the highways in the several districts of the County, so that it is not necessary that the Board should submit others. The District Committees have reported to the Board on the subject of highways, and their reports will be submitted to the Council.

ADDITION TO THE LISTS OF HIGHWAYS.

The Board recommend that the County Council should, at this meeting, declare that the following road, which, at the commencement of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, was not maintained out of the public funds derived from tolls or assessments or other sources of revenue, shall be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of that Act, and, as such, be added to the lists of roads, highways, and bridges, made up in terms of Section 41 thereof, viz.:—

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

Parish of Dalziel—

Tinkers Lane, from Motherwell Highway to Airbles Highway, measuring 1 furlong 40 yards or thereby.

BRIDGES.

The Board have also agreed, subject to the approval of the County Council, to construct the following Bridges, viz. :—

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

Parish of Douglas—

(1) Tablestone Bridge over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, at an estimated cost of £524 10s.

(2) Jeanfield Flood Bridge over Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway, at an estimated cost of £302.

ESTIMATES.

Estimates have been prepared on the basis of the Statutory Reports received from the several District Committees on the condition of the highways and the requisite specifications of the works and repairs needed, and have been incorporated by the Finance Committee in the Local Annual Budget prepared in terms of the Statute.

R. K. STEWART,
Chairman.

October, 1913.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE COUNTY ROAD BOARD

TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

Thursday, 9th October, 1913.

THE COUNTY CLERK.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

Thursday, 9th October, 1913.

ACCOUNTS.

The following statement shows the amount of expenditure, and the assessments levied, since the inception of the County Council :—

	Expenditure.	Assessments Levied.
Year 1890-91, ...	£151,224 8 2	£98,416 19 1½
„ 1891-92, ...	174,582 7 1½	88,969 3 10½
„ 1892-93, ...	176,187 1 0½	95,110 15 9
„ 1893-94, ...	254,040 1 7½	98,225 15 5
„ 1894-95, ...	281,435 3 1	104,590 14 2½
„ 1895-96, ...	258,568 2 4	115,228 1 5
„ 1896-97, ...	224,119 3 3½	116.813 10 7½
„ 1897-98, ...	215,481 5 4	121.188 12 2
„ 1898-99, ...	240,642 6 7½	127,232 15 2
„ 1899-1900, ...	281,758 2 4	154,996 15 1½
„ 1900-01, ...	320.309 9 8	169,226 16 5½
„ 1901-02, ...	305,107 0 0	180,228 7 5
„ 1902-03, ...	297,058 18 3½	183,882 0 8½
„ 1903-04, ...	317,304 7 8½	195,132 0 6½
„ 1904-05, ...	306.456 12 8½	198,415 11 6½
„ 1905-06, ...	328,363 0 11	202,100 7 2½
„ 1906-07, ...	321,815 17 10	211,591 2 5
„ 1907-08, ...	339,840 0 1½	216,908 8 1
„ 1908-09, ...	369,302 10 6	232,244 6 2½
„ 1909-10, ...	336,705 18 7½	224,177 12 1½
„ 1910-11, ...	380,877 11 0	234,377 16 3½
„ 1911-12, ...	394,244 4 3½	242,407 8 7
„ 1912-13, ...	*410,714 12 4½	244,386 13 2

*Approximate—Audit not yet completed.

The amount borrowed during the year was £35,276 12s. 7d., while debt to the extent of £34,634 0s. 8d. was either paid off or provided for by way of Sinking Fund, making an increase of £642 11s. 11d. in the loan indebtedness of the County, the net amount of which at Whitsunday last was £948,855 11s. 10d.

ESTIMATES FOR 1913-1914.

Estimates of the Receipts and Expenditure for the current financial year are submitted herewith (Appendix). Those in connection with the Constabulary have been considered by the Standing Joint-Committee, those relating to Highways by the County Road Board, while those of the District Committees are based upon information furnished by them. They have received careful consideration at the hands of the Committee, and the Council are recommended to impose the several rates therein mentioned to meet the requirements of the current year.

VALUATION OF COUNTY.

The following is a note of the approximate valuation of the County for the current year as compared with that of last year:—

	1913-1914.			1912-1913.			Increase.	Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways.	Total.	General Heritages.	Railways.	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Upper Ward, -	331,438 7 0	52,083	383,521 7 0	325,952 16 0	46,169	372,121 16 0	11,399 11 0	...
Middle Ward, -	1,513,960 17 8	142,054	1,656,014 17 8	1,442,191 15 0	131,764	1,573,955 15 0	82,059 2 8	...
Lower Ward, -	195,839 17 8	32,275	228,114 17 8	191,453 6 2	30,535	221,988 6 2	6,126 11 6	...
	2,041,239 2 4	226,412	2,267,651 2 4	1,959,597 17 2	208,468	2,168,065 17 2	99,585 5 2	...

Increase, ... £99,585 5 2

WM. NEILSON,
Chairman.

1st October, 1913.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL ANNUAL BUDGET.

ESTIMATES OF THE EXPENDITURE AND RECEIPTS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1913-1914, PREPARED IN TERMS OF SECTION 71 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889.

I.—CONSTABULARY.

GENERAL EXPENDITURE.

Expenditure.

Salaries and Wages of Headquarters Staff and Reserve Recruits, ...	£2,084	0 0
Clothing of Headquarters Staff, Reserve Recruits, and Special Constables,	44	0 0
Lighting and Cleaning—Headquarters, ...	40	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings—Headquarters, ...	90	0 0
Travelling and Office Expenses—Headquarters, ...	145	0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles—Headquarters, ...	10	0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, and Advertising, ...	100	0 0
Rents of Police Barracks and Constables' Houses, and Feu-duty on Headquarters, ...	225	0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	35	0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...	50	0 0
Expenses connected with Maintenance and Removal of Prisoners, ...	400	0 0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff,	625	0 0
Repayment of Debt—Police Headquarters, ...	500	0 0
Interest on Debt— do., ...	170	0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses of Constables, ...	70	0 0
Travelling and Office Expenses—General, ...	50	0 0
Police Surgeon—Salary, ...	100	0 0
Police Architect—Salary, ...	100	0 0
Bicycles for Constables, ...	60	0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...	60	0 0
Children Act, 1908—Expenses of Administering, ...	30	0 0
Miscellaneous, ...	50	0 0
	£5,038	0 0

Receipts.

Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing of Headquarters Staff and Reserve Recruits, ...	£720	0	0	
Government Grant in respect of Maintenance and Removal of Prisoners, ...	640	0	0	
Government Grant under Children Act, 1908, ...	5	0	0	
Contribution from Burgh of Lanark under Children Act, 1908, ...	5	0	0	
Rents retained from Constables, ...	30	0	0	
Rent payable by Hamilton District for portion of Headquarters set apart for use of that District, ...	330	0	0	
Instalments of cost of Bicycles repaid by Constables, ...	60	0	0	
Interest on County Reserve Monies (proportion), ...	115	0	0	
Miscellaneous, ...	3	0	0	
				1,908 0 0
Amount required, ...				£3,130 0 0

Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuation—

Hamilton Police District—Estimated Valuation, £947,000, ...	£1,433	0	0	
Motherwell Police District—Estimated Valuation, £199,000, ...	301	0	0	
Upper Ward Police District—Estimated Valuation, £376,000, ...	569	0	0	
Airdrie Police District—Estimated Valuation, £329,000, ...	498	0	0	
Lower Ward Police District—Estimated Valuation, £217,000, ...	329	0	0	
				3,130 0 0

LOCAL EXPENDITURE.

HAMILTON POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,		£886	0 0
Share of General Expenditure,		1,433	0 0
Rents, Feu-duties, &c.,		1,050	0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance,		105	0 0
Telephone Rentals and Trunk Line Fees,		170	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,		300	0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c.,		550	0 0
Proportion of Rent of Police Barracks, Motherwell,		55	0 0
Repayment of Debt (Police Stations),		2,000	0 0
Interest on Debt (Do.),		800	0 0
Pay of Police,		11,370	0 0
Clothing of Police,		365	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,		195	0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners,		330	0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles,		45	0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c.,		100	0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906,		15	0 0
Interest on bank account,		75	0 0
Miscellaneous,		110	0 0
		£19,954	0 0

Receipts.

Contribution from Burgh of Wishaw under Consolidation Agreement and Balance of previous years,	£1,600 0 0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing,	3,810 0 0		
Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables,	85 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables,	520 0 0		
Interest on County Reserve Monies (proportion),	55 0 0		
		6,070	0 0
Amount required,		£13,884	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £947,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{68}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£10,128 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £860,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{2}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£3,643 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	149 0 0		
	3,792 0 0		
		13,920	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{50}{120}$d. and $\frac{104}{120}$d. per £.)

Average Rate, $1\frac{66}{120}$d.

MOTHERWELL POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure,	£301	0 0
Rents, &c.,	180	0 0
Rates and Taxes,	25	0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees,	20	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,	20	0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c.,	120	0 0
Proportion of Rent of Police Barracks, Motherwell,	374	0 0
Pay of Police,	2,135	0 0
Clothing of Police,	72	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	38	0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners,	50	0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles,	5	0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c.,	35	0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906,	10	0 0
Miscellaneous,	20	0 0
Carry forward,	£3,405	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£3,405 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£574 0 0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	717 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	80 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	5 0 0		
		1,376 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£2,029 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £199,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{50}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£2,004 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £192,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{41}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	273 0 0		
		2,277 0 0	

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{51}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $2\frac{9}{120}$d.

UPPER WARD POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Share of General Expenditure, ...	£569 0 0
Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...	270 0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	35 0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...	65 0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,...	100 0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...	105 0 0
Pay of Police, ...	3,646 0 0
Clothing of Police, ...	106 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	40 0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...	140 0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...	40 0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...	50 0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...	5 0 0
Miscellaneous, ...	40 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...	30 0 0
	£5,241 0 0

Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£36 0 0		
Contribution from Burgh of Lanark, ...	250 0 0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	1,219 0 0		
Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, ...	35 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	190 0 0		
Interest on County Reserve Monies (proportion), ...	18 0 0		
		1,748 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£3,493 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £376,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{95}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£2,807 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £280,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{61}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£593 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	104 0 0		
		697 0 0	
		3,504 0 0	

(Last year, $1\frac{77}{120}$d. and $\frac{43}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $1\frac{34}{120}$d.

AIRDRIE POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£122 0 0
Share of General Expenditure, ...	498 0 0
Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...	550 0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	80 0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...	75 0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,...	110 0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...	160 0 0
Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...	300 0 0
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	55 0 0
Carry forward, ...	£1,950 0 0

Brought forward, ...			£1,950 0 0
Pay of Police, ...			5,639 0 0
Clothing of Police, ...			180 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			75 0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...			200 0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...			25 0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...			60 0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...			10 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			50 0 0
Miscellaneous, ...			50 0 0
			£8,239 0 0
Receipts.			
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	£1,891 0 0		
Government Grant in respect of Services and Outlays of Constables, ...	48 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	255 0 0		
Interest on County Reserve Monies (proportion), ...	35 0 0		
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	371 0 0		
		2,600 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£5,639 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £329,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{19}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£4,330 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £303,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{10}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,367 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	49 0 0		
	1,416 0 0		
		5,746 0 0	
(Last year, $2\frac{102}{120}$d. and $\frac{93}{120}$d. per £.)			
Average Rate, $2\frac{9}{120}$d.			

LOWER WARD POLICE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Share of General Expenditure, ...			£329 0 0
Rents, Feu-duties, &c., ...			760 0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, ...			80 0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk Line Fees, ...			150 0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...			100 0 0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., ...			200 0 0
Repayment of Debt (Police Stations), ...			30 0 0
Interest on Debt (do.), ...			10 0 0
Pay of Police, ...			4,880 0 0
Clothing of Police, ...			160 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			50 0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Subsistence of Constables and Prisoners, ...			170 0 0
Allowances for Upkeep of Bicycles, ...			20 0 0
Books, Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c., ...			80 0 0
Net Constabulary Outlays administering Dogs Act, 1906, ...			25 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			30 0 0
Miscellaneous, ...			100 0 0
			£7,174 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£457 0 0		
Government Grant towards Pay and Clothing, ...	1,637 0 0		
Government Grant in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	60 0 0		
Contribution from Burgh of Rutherglen under Consolidation Agreement, ...	1,150 0 0		
Interest on County Reserve Monies (proportion), ...	93 0 0		
Rents retained from Constables, ...	140 0 0		
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	1,066 0 0		
		4,603 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£2,571 0 0

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £217,000.						
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{69}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...				£2,328	0	0
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £196,000.						
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{19}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£129	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	40	0	0			
				169	0	0
						2,497	0	0

(Last year, $3\frac{10}{120}$d. and $\frac{80}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $2\frac{50}{120}$d.

II.—COUNTY GENERAL ASSESSMENT.

(*a*) GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Expenditure.

Salaries and Outlays of J.P. Procurators-Fiscal, ...			£2,450	0	0
Do. do. Clerks of the Peace.			2,400	0	0
Salary of Keeper, County Buildings, Hamilton, ...			190	0	0
Rents, Rates, Taxes, and Insurance, Hamilton and Lanark, ...			170	0	0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, do., ...			300	0	0
Lighting, Cleaning, &c., do., ...			160	0	0
Annual Payment to Hamilton Court-houses Account for Accommodation provided for Justices of the Peace, ...			40	0	0
Salaries of Inspectors under Weights and Measures Act, ...			480	0	0
Other Expenses under Weights and Measures Act, including Assistants' Wages, Carriage of Standards, Rents, &c., ...			600	0	0
Expenses of Administering Licensing (Scotland) Act within Police Burghs,			115	0	0
Expenses of Administering Food and Drugs Acts, ...			1,400	0	0
Expenses of Administering Explosives Act, ...			220	0	0
Do. do. Petroleum Acts, ...			10	0	0
Do. do. Probation of Offenders Act, ...			30	0	0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff, ...			1,250	0	0
Travelling and Office Expenses, ...			400	0	0
Expenses of Fiars Court, ...			6	0	0
Auditor's Fee—Taxing J.P. Clerks' and Fiscals' Accounts, ...			42	0	0
Bar Officer of J.P. Courts, Hamilton and Cambuslang, ...			36	0	0
Rent of Hall for J.P. Court, Cambuslang, ...			30	0	0
Lighting, Cleansing, &c., J.P. Court. Bellshill, ...			20	0	0
Printing, Stationery, Parliamentary Papers, and Advertising, ...			20	0	0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			115	0	0
Expenses in connection with Valuation Account (page 8), ...			162	0	0
Miscellaneous, ...			100	0	0
			£10,746	0	0
Repayment of Debt (Clydesdale Street Offices), ...	£100	0	0		
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	80	0	0		
			180	0	0
			£10,926	0	0

Receipts.

Contributions from Burghs of Lanark and Rutherglen for Services of Weights and Measures Inspectors, ...	£22	0	0			
Fines and Penalties under Licensing Act, handed over by Police Burghs, ...	25	0	0			
Fines and Penalties from J.P. Courts and Sheriff Courts,	2,700	0	0			
Fees received under Weights and Measures Acts, ...	500	0	0			
Do. Explosives Act, ...	6	0	0			
Do. Petroleum Acts, ...	14	0	0			
Rents—Clydesdale Street Offices, ...	125	0	0			
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	1,156	0	0			
				4,548	0	0
Amount required, ...				£6,378	0	0
Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuations :—						
District formerly the Southern Prison District— Estimated Valuation, £1,940,800, ...	£5,729	0	0			
District formerly the Northern Prison District— Estimated Valuation, £220,000. ...	649	0	0			
				6,378	0	0

(*b*) DISTRICT FORMERLY SOUTHERN PRISON DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£51 0 0
Share of General Expenditure (page 5).			5,729 0 0
Pensions under Section 43 of Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, ...			47 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			83 0 0
Amount required, ...			£5,910 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,940,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{62}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£4,178 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,740,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{27}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,631 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	114 0 0		
	1,745 0 0		
		5,923 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

Average Rate, $\frac{35}{120}$d.

(*c*) DISTRICT FORMERLY NORTHERN PRISON DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£15 0 0		
Share of General Expenditure (page 5), ...	649 0 0		
Pensions under Section 43 of Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877,	7 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	25 0 0		
		£696 0 0	
Receipts.			
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	£15 0 0		
City of Glasgow—Proportion of above Pensions, ...	3 0 0		
		18 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£678 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £220,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{65}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£497 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £194,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{26}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£175 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	11 0 0		
	186 0 0		
		683 0 0	

(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{21}{120}$d. per £.)

Average Rate, $\frac{39}{120}$d.

III.—LUNACY.

(*a*) LANARK LUNACY DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Quota of Assessment intimated by General Board, ...			£15,454 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			265 0 0
		£15,719 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£376 0 0		
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	6 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	30 0 0		
		412 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£15,307 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,100,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{114}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£8,313 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,876,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{103}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£6,709 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	418 0 0		
	7,127 0 0		
		15,440 0 0	

(Last year, $\frac{110}{120}$d. and $\frac{99}{120}$d. per £.)

Average Rate, $\frac{11}{120}$d.

(*b*) GOVAN LUNACY DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Quota of Assessment intimated by General Board, ...			£15 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£67	0 0	
Interest on Bank Account, ...	2	0 0	
			69 0 0

(No Assessment required.)
(Last year, $1\frac{10}{120}$d. and $\frac{119}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $\frac{11}{120}$d.

(*c*) GLASGOW LUNACY DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Quota of Assessment intimated by General Board, ...	£550	0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	15	0 0	
			£565 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£44	0 0	
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	44	0 0	
			88 0 0
Amount required, ...			£477 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £58,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{10}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£262	0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £50,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{10}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	225	0 0	
			487 0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{17}{120}$d. and $1\frac{17}{120}$d. per £.)

IV.—REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£123	0 0	
Assessors' Salaries, £825; and Outlays, £60, ...	885	0 0	
Assessors' Special Allowances for making up County Council and Parish Council Registers,—say ...	300	0 0	
Printing Registers and Advertising, ...	1,400	0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	25	0 0	
Interest on Bank Account,...	10	0 0	
			£2,743 0 0

Receipts.

Proportion of Cost of Registers from Burgh of Coatbridge,...	£270	0 0	
Do. do. do. Airdrie, ...	35	0 0	
Do. do. do. Rutherglen,	25	0 0	
Do. do. do. Lanark, ...	2	0 0	
Do. do. do. Hamilton, ...	1	0 0	
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	4	0 0	
Copies of Registers sold, ...	60	0 0	
			397 0 0
Amount required, ...			£2,346 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,160,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{24}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,800	0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,925,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{7}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£468 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	28 0 0		
	496	0 0	
			£2,296 0 0

(Last year, $\frac{19}{120}$d. and $\frac{2}{120}$d. per £.)
Average Rate, $\frac{17}{120}$d.

V.—VALUATION.

Expenditure.

Copying Valuation Roll for Parishes, ...			£80 0 0
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...			40 0 0
Law Expenses, ...			100 0 0
			£220 0 0

Receipts.

Fees received for Excerpts, ...	£10 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	48 0 0		
		58 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£162 0 0	
Transferred from County General Assessment Account, ...		162 0 0	

(Last year, £194.)

Va.—DISEASES OF ANIMALS.

Expenditure.

Net Cost of Administering Tuberculosis Order, 1913, ...			£600 0 0
County Veterinary Surgeon—Salary, ...	£450 0 0		
Do. do. Travelling Expenses, ...	265 0 0		
	£715 0 0		
Less refunded from Public Health General Account,	215 0 0		
		500 0 0	
County Veterinary Surgeon—Instruments, Chemicals, ...			10 0 0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff, ...			125 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			20 0 0
Allowances to Police Inspectors administering the Act, ...			45 0 0
Constabulary Outlays administering Act, less sums received, ...			40 0 0
Compensation to Owners of Animals slaughtered, ...			100 0 0
Destroying Carcases, ...			20 0 0
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...			115 0 0
Travelling and Office Expenses, ...			25 0 0
Interest on Bank Account,...			10 0 0
Expenses of administering Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, ...			45 0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk-Line Fees, ...			15 0 0
Grant to Public Health Account towards Expenses of Bacteriological Laboratory, ...			25 0 0
Miscellaneous, ...			50 0 0
Expenses of Conferences, ...			100 0 0
			£1,845 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£133 0 0		
Contributions from Burghs of Coatbridge and Lanark, ...	130 0 0		
Government Contribution in lieu of Rates, ...	2 0 0		
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	177 0 0		
		442 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£1,403 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,160.000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{11}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£825 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,925,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{11}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£735 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	14 0 0		
	749 0 0		
		1,574 0 0	

(Last year $\frac{5}{120}$d. and $\frac{5}{120}$d. per £.)

HAMILTON COURT-HOUSES MAINTENANCE.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£141	0 0
Salary of Keeper, ...	100	0 0
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...	100	0 0
Cleaning, Lighting, and Ventilating, ...	90	0 0
Special Water Charges and Insurance, ...	12	0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...	5	0 0
	£448	0 0

Receipts.

Government Grant towards upkeep, ...	188	0	0		
County General Assessment, General Account — for accommodation provided for Justices of the Peace, ...	40	0	0		
Contribution from Burgh of Hamilton, ...	12	0	0		
				240	0 0
Amount required, ...				£248	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,234,400. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{3}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£129	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,143,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{3}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	119	0	0		
				248	0 0

(Last year no Assessment.)

LANARK COURT-HOUSES MAINTENANCE.

Expenditure.

Salary of Keeper, ...	£50	0	0		
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings, ...	25	0	0		
Cleaning, Lighting, and Ventilating, ...	35	0	0		
Special Water Charges and Insurance, ...	7	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	5	0	0		
				£122	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£9	0	0		
Government Grant towards upkeep, ...	103	0	0		
				112	0 0

(No Assessment proposed.)

VI.—GENERAL PURPOSES.

(*a*) WHOLE COUNTY (INCLUDING POLICE BURGHS).

Expenditure.

Cost of combined County Council and Parish Council Elections, ...	£1,830	0	0		
Less payable by Parish Councils, ...	930	0	0		
				£900	0 0
Association of County Councils in Scotland—Annual Subscription and Expenses of Meetings, ...				25	0 0
Printing, Advertising, &c., ...				550	0 0
Proportion of Salaries of County Clerk and Treasurer and Office Staff, ...				2,750	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				175	0 0
Expenses opposing Bills and Provisional Orders in Parliament. ...				2,000	0 0
Expenses of Parliamentary Agents (General), ...				50	0 0
Expenses of Statutory Prosecutions, ...				30	0 0
Expenses of Motor Car Act, Cinematograph Act, &c., ...				100	0 0
Auditor's Fee, ...				450	0 0
Books and Stationery.				350	0 0
Fees to Jurors under Fatal Accidents Inquiry Act, ...				75	0 0
Rooms for Meetings, ...				175	0 0
Telephone Rental and Trunk-Line Fees, ...				75	0 0
Travelling and Office Expenses, ...				80	0 0
Law Expenses, ...				100	0 0
Miscellaneous, ...				150	0 0
Carry forward, ...				£8,035	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£8,035 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£1,778 0 0		
Interest on County Reserve Monies (proportion), ...	170 0 0		
Fees received under Motor Car Act, ...	950 0 0		
Fees received under the Cinematograph Act, ...	25 0 0		
Government Grant in lieu of Rates, ...	15 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account, ...	50 0 0		
Miscellaneous	50 0 0		
Instalment from Compensation Monies received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	460 0 0		
		3,498 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£4,537 0 0	

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,160,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{32}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£2,400 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,925,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{32}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£2,139 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	83 0 0		
	2,222 0 0		
		4,622 0 0	

(Last year $\frac{26}{120}$d. and $\frac{26}{120}$d. per £.)

(*b*) ADDITIONAL FOR WHOLE COUNTY (EXCLUDING POLICE BURGHS)

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 31st May, 1913, ...	£70 0 0		
Payments to Reformatories for Maintenance of Youthful Offenders, ...	200 0 0		
Printing, Advertising, &c., Shop Hours Act, ...	100 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	5 0 0		
Amount required, ...		£375 0 0	

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,860,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{3}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	£194 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,643,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{3}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	171 0 0		
		365 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

(*c*) ADDITIONAL FOR LOWER WARD SHERIFF COURT-HOUSES.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£1,821 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account,...	30 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	2 0 0		
		£1,853 0 0	

(No Assessment proposed.)

(No Assessment last year.)

* NOTE.—Intimation of the requirements of the Court-House Commissioners for the current year has not yet been received, but it is considered that the balance in hand (£1,821), will be sufficient to meet any requisition that may be made.

(*d*) ADDITIONAL FOR BOTHWELL ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

Proportion of Balance of £150 due to Bank at 15th May, 1913 (cost of Order, &c., £319), ...			£75 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			3 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			5 0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...			45 0 0
Interest on Debt, ...			30 0 0
Proportion of accrued Interest due to The Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co., ...			24 0 0
Amount required, ...			£182 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £23,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£72 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £22,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	69 0 0		
		141 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

(*e*) ADDITIONAL FOR BELLSHILL ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

Proportion of Balance of £506 due to Bank at 15th May, 1913 (cost of Order, &c., £299), ...			£446 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			5 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			20 0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...			180 0 0
Interest on Debt, ...			130 0 0
Proportion of accrued Interest due to The Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co., ...			55 0 0
			£836 0 0

Receipts.

Payment by The Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co. (in terms of arrangement), ...			554 0 0
Amount required, ...			£282 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £48,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{100}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£167 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{100}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	160 0 0		
		£327 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

(*f*) ADDITIONAL FOR BLANTYRE ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

Proportion of Balance of £110 due to Bank at 15th May, 1913 (cost of Order, £387), ...			£55 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			2 0 0
Interest on Bank Account, ...			3 0 0
Amount required, ...			£60 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £54,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£28 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £51,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	27 0 0		
		£55 0 0	

(Last year, $\frac{30}{120}$d. and $\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

(g) ADDITIONAL FOR CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

Proportion of Debit Balance of £550 (Board of Trade Accounts) outstanding at 15th May, 1913,	£350 0 0	
Repayment of Debt,	850 0 0	
Interest on Debt,	660 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	23 0 0	
Interest on Bank Account,	40 0 0	
Generation of Electricity,	950 0 0	
Distribution of Electricity,	75 0 0	
Public Lamps—Repairs, Renewals, and Attending (recovered as per Receipts),	450 0 0	
Rates and Taxes,	100 0 0	
Management Expenses,	260 0 0	
Expenses of Extension Order (proportion),	50 0 0	
Insurance,	20 0 0	
	£3,828 0 0	

Receipts.

Sale of Current,	£2,200 0 0	
District Committee—for Refuse destroyed,	400 0 0	
Do. Proportion of Resident Engineer's Salary,	50 0 0	
Do. Public Lamps, Repairs, and Renewals,	450 0 0	
Miscellaneous,	5 0 0	
	3,105 0 0	
Amount required,	£723 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £91,500. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	£381 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £88,000. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	367 0 0	
	748 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

(h) ADDITIONAL FOR SHETTLESTON ELECTRIC LIGHTING ORDER.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,	£523 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	1 0 0	
Interest on Bank Account,	10 0 0	
Repayment of Debt,	25 0 0	
Interest on Debt,	20 0 0	
Proportion of accrued Interest due to The Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co.,	70 0 0	
	126 0 0	
	£649 0 0	

Receipts.

Payment by The Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co. (in terms of arrangement),	£314 0 0	
Payment by the City of Glasgow,	292 0 0	
	606 0 0	
Amount required,	£43 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £14,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£22 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £12,300. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield	19 0 0	
	£41 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

(i) ADDITIONAL FOR UDDINGSTON ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Expenditure.

Proportion of Balance of £150 due to Bank at 15th May, 1913 (Cost of Order, &c., £296),	£90 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	4 0 0	
Interest on Bank Account,	15 0 0	
Repayment of Debt,	80 0 0	
Interest on Debt,	50 0 0	
Proportion of accrued Interest due to The Clyde Valley Electrical Power Co.,	38 0 0	
Amount required,	£277 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £48,500. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{80}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£135 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{80}{120}$d. per £ will yield	128 0 0	
	£263 0 0	

(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

VII.—PUBLIC HEALTH—GENERAL.

Expenditure.

Medical Officer's Department—		
Medical Officer—Salary,	£1,000 0 0	
Assistant Medical Officers—Salaries,	1,550 0 0	
Chemist—Salary,	185 0 0	
Bacteriologist (£400) and Assistants (£120)—Salaries,	520 0 0	
Inspection of Dairy Herds,	215 0 0	
Clerical Assistance,	317 0 0	
Travelling and Office Expenses,	500 0 0	
Books, Printing, Stationery, and Advertising,	350 0 0	
Telephone Rent and Trunk-Line Fees,	30 0 0	
Chemicals, Apparatus, and Furnishings for Laboratories,	250 0 0	
Upkeep of Bacteriological Laboratory,	200 0 0	
Repairs, Improvements, and Furnishings,	400 0 0	
Keeper's Salary,	80 0 0	
Rates, Taxes, Insurance, and Feu-duty,	50 0 0	
Cleaning, Lighting, &c.,	75 0 0	
	£5,722 0 0	
Expenses enforcing provisions of Rivers Pollution Act,	300 0 0	
Repayment of Debt (Public Health Offices),	250 0 0	
Interest on Debt do.	90 0 0	
Expenses of Sanitary Congresses,	200 0 0	
Expenses of Certified Inebriate Reformatory Account (No. VIIa.),	579 0 0	
Interest on Bank Account,	40 0 0	
Expenses of Fire Brigades Account (No. VIIb.),	3,751 0 0	
Miscellaneous,	65 0 0	
	£10,997 0 0	

Receipts.

Contribution from Burgh of Biggar towards Salary of Medical Officer,	£10 0 0	
Government Grant towards Cost of Medical Officers and Sanitary Inspectors,	1,150 0 0	
Grant from Diseases of Animals Account towards expenses of Bacteriological Laboratory,	25 0 0	
Fees received from other Local Authorities for Medical Officer's Reports on specimens submitted,	100 0 0	
	1,285 0 0	
Amount required,	£9,712 0 0	
(Last year, £7,922).		

Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuations :—

Upper Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £363,000,	£1,906 0 0	
Middle Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £1,270,000,	6,667 0 0	
Lower Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £217,000,	1,139 0 0	
	£9,712 0 0	

NOTE.—The Maintenance Grant proposed to be made by the Treasury in aid of the cost of treatment of Tuberculosis has not been taken into account.

VIIA.—CERTIFIED INEBRIATE REFORMATORY.

Expenditure.

Repayment of Debt,		£300 0 0
Interest on Debt,		155 0 0
Wages,		76 0 0
Rates, Taxes, and Insurance,		40 0 0
Miscellaneous,		25 0 0
Fuel and Light,		16 0 0
Repairs, &c.,		20 0 0
Industrial Account,		20 0 0
Interest on Bank Account,		3 0 0
		£655 0 0

Receipts.

Rent of Lands,	£65 0 0	
Sale of Garden Produce,	11 0 0	
		76 0 0
Amount required,		£579 0 0
Transferred from Public Health General Account (No. VII.),		579 0 0

(Last year, £590.)

VIIB.—FIRE BRIGADES.

Expenditure.

Salaries of Firemaster (£150), Instructor (£30), and Clerks (£40),	£220 0 0	
Wages of Mechanicians,	426 0 0	
Firemen's Allowances,	700 0 0	
Petrol, Oil, &c., Heating and Lighting, Repairs and Furnishings, Travelling Expenses, &c.,	300 0 0	
Telephone Rental, and Trunk-Line Fees.	105 0 0	
Insurance,	220 0 0	
Travelling Expenses—General,	40 0 0	
Printing, Advertising, &c.,	5 0 0	
Interest on Bank Account,	40 0 0	
Rents and Taxes—Fire Stations,	45 0 0	
Miscellaneous,	150 0 0	
		£2,251 0 0
Repayment of Debt,	£1,200 0 0	
Interest on Debt,	300 0 0	
		1,500 0 0
Amount required,		£3,751 0 0
Transferred from Public Health General Account (No. VII.),		3,751 0 0

(Last year, £3,529.)

VIII.—ROAD BOARD.

Expenditure.

Proportion of County Clerk and Treasurer's Salary.	£125 0 0
Printing and Advertising,	25 0 0
Miscellaneous,	5 0 0
Amount required,	£155 0 0

(Last year, £164.)

Apportionable as follows, according to Estimated Valuations:—

Upper Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £363,000,	£31 0 0	
Middle Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £1.270,000,	106 0 0	
Lower Ward District—Estimated Valuation, £217,000,	18 0 0	
		£155 0 0

DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

Expenditure.

Maintenance—						
Surface Labour, ...	£7,900	0	0			
Materials for Surface Repairs (including Quarry Rents, &c.), ...	10,209	0	0			
Repairs to Bridges, Culverts, Drains, and Fences, ...	574	0	0			
Purchase and Repair of Tools, ...	1,456	0	0			
Footpaths, Kerbing and Causewaying Crossings, ...	450	0	0			
				£20,589	0	0
Miscellaneous—						
Mile-plates and Finger-posts, ...	£100	0	0			
Metal Depots, Old Toll-houses, and Tool-sheds— Rents, Feu-duties, Taxes, and Upkeep, ...	100	0	0			
				200	0	0
Improvement of Roads and Bridges—						
Threepwood Improvement, ...	...		...	400	0	0
Management and Miscellaneous—						
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion),	£168	0	0			
Salaries of Clerks in District Offices (proportion), ...	81	0	0			
Salaries of District Surveyor and Assistant,... ...	510	0	0			
Rent, Cleaning, Lighting, &c., of Offices, ...	75	0	0			
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	75	0	0			
Postages, Receipt and Agreement Stamps, and Petty Outlays.	60	0	0			
Cost of running Surveyor's Motor Car, ...	260	0	0			
Travelling and Expenses of Meetings and Inspections,	10	0	0			
State Insurance, ...	100	0	0			
Law Expenses, ...	10	0	0			
Other Expenses—						
Miscellaneous, ...	40	0	0			
Expenditure under the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909—						
Tar Spraying, ... £876 0 0						
75 per cent. whereof will probably be recovered from Imperial Road Board, ... 657 0 0						
	219	0	0			
				1,608	0	0
Repayment of Debt, ...	£540	0	0			
Interest on Debt, ...	180	0	0			
Proportion of County Road Board Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 14, ...	31	0	0			
Interest on Bank Account, ...	68	0	0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	295	0	0			
				1,114	0	0
				£23,911	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£1,105	0	0			
Rents of Old Toll-houses, ...	90	0	0			
Composition from Caledonian Railway Company, ...	66	0	0			
Grush, Sand, and Metal sold, ...	200	0	0			
Subvention from Burgh of Biggar, ...	15	0	0			
Government Grant towards cost of maintaining Roads, ...	887	0	0			
Proportion of Government Grant in relief of Local Rates,	1,922	0	0			
Hire of Road Rollers, &c., &c., ...	100	0	0			
Government Grant in lieu of Rates, ...	10	0	0			
				4,395	0	0
Amount required, ...				£19,516	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £363,000.						
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£10,020	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £270,000.						
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield £7,453 0 0						
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, 1,229 0 0						
	8,682	0	0			
				18,702	0	0

(Last year $6\frac{69}{120}$d. and $6\frac{69}{120}$d. per £.)

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

*Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 13, ...				£1,906	0 0
Salaries and Expenses of Sanitary Officers—					
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' Salaries, ...	£340	0 0			
Travelling Expenses and Subsistence of Sanitary Inspectors, ...	80	0 0			
Clerical Assistance, ...	55	0 0			
				475	0 0
Fees for Notification of Diseases, ...				60	0 0
Upkeep of Hospitals—					
Roadmeetings, ...				1,000	0 0
Patients treated in their homes, ...				50	0 0
Interments, Disinfecting, and Removing Patients and Clothing, ...				100	0 0
Cleaning Sewers and Cesspools, and Scavenging, &c., ...				70	0 0
Upkeep of Slaughter-Houses at Carluke, Douglas, Forth, and Lesmahagow,				300	0 0
Returns of Births and Deaths, ...				15	0 0
Management and Miscellaneous—					
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion),	£167	0 0			
Salaries of Clerks in District Offices (proportion),	81	0 0			
Cleaning, Lighting, &c., of District Offices, ...	115	0 0			
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	75	0 0			
Travelling and Office Expenses, ...	40	0 0			
State Insurance, ...	10	0 0			
				488	0 0
Other Expenses—					
Expenses of Delegates to Sanitary Congresses, and Subscriptions to Associations, ...	£50	0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	20	0 0			
				70	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	£435	0 0			
Interest on Debt, ...	278	0 0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	66	0 0			
				779	0 0
				£5,313	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£58	0 0			
Slaughter-house Dues, ...	330	0 0			
Rent of Office charged to Highways Account.	75	0 0			
Rent of Tripery, and Manure sold, ...	13	0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	20	0 0			
Grant in aid of Medical and Sanitary Staff, ...	200	0 0			
Government Grant in lieu of Rates, ...	2	0 0			
				698	0 0
Amount required, ...				£4,615	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £363,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield			£2,458	0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £270.000.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,828	0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	169	0 0			
			1,997	0 0	
				4,455	0 0

(Same as last year.)

* As is explained by the footnote on page 13, no deduction has been made in respect of the proposed maintenance grant by the Treasury in aid of the cost of treatment of Tuberculosis.

III.—SPECIAL WATER AND DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

BLACKWOOD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913.				£30	0 0
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£100	0 0			
Repairs and upkeep, ...	30	0 0			
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	14	0 0			
Miscellaneous, ...	1	0 0			
				145	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£9	0 0			
Repayment of Debt, ...	225	0 0			
Interest on Debt, ...	140	0 0			
				374	0 0
Carry forward				£549	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£549 0 0
Receipts.			
Special Water Charges, ...			30 0 0
Amount required, ...			£519 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $9\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£274 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $9\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	235 0 0		509 0 0

(Last year, 9d. and 9d. per £.)

BRAIDWOOD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Price of Water purchased, ...	£70 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	25 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	15 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		£120 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£7 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	55 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	23 0 0		85 0 0
			£205 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£70 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	20 0 0		90 0 0
Amount required, ...			£115 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	£92 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	65 0 0		157 0 0

(Same as last year.)

CARLUKE SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Price of Water purchased, ...	£500 0 0		
Rents, Taxes &c., ...	80 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	40 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	40 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	12 0 0		
State Insurance, ...	1 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		£675 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£15 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	50 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	20 0 0		85 0 0
			£760 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£258 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	180 0 0		438 0 0
Amount required, ...			£322 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £18,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£234 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	£208 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	10 0 0		
		218 0 0	452 0 0

(Last year, $3\frac{60}{120}$d. and $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

CARLUKE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£120 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	20 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	36 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	12 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		£190	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	10 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	3 0 0		
		14	0 0
		£204	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£32 0 0		
Rent of Irrigation Fields, ...	55 0 0		
		87	0 0
Amount required, ...		£117	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£73 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield £71 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ... 1 0 0			
	72 0 0		
		145	0 0

(Last year, $\frac{60}{120}$d. and $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

CARNWATH SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£55 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£66	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£4 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	135 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	50 0 0		
		189	0 0
		£255	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£10 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	2 0 0		
		12	0 0
Amount required, ...		£243	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£127 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	124 0 0		
		251	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CARNWATH SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Taxes, &c., ...	£20 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	10 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		£37	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£4 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	80 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	52 0 0		
		136	0 0
		£173	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		11	0 0
Amount required, ...		£162	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,450.			
An Assessment thereon at $8\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£84 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $8\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	79 0 0		
		163	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CRAWFORD SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Price of Water purchased, ...	£30 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	15 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	7 0 0		
		£52	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	9 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	5 0 0		
		15	0 0
		£67	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		8	0 0
Amount required, ...		£59	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£35 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,250.			
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	33 0 0		
		68	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CROSSLAW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Taxes, &c., ...	£10 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Wages of Superintendent, ...	5 0 0		
		£20	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	35 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	8 0 0		
		44	0 0
		£64	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		1	0 0
Amount required, ...		£63	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£33 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,850.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£29 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	4 0 0		
	33 0 0		
		66	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£4 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	15 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£22	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	18 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	7 0 0		
		26	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£48	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£48 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£7 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	10 0 0		
Interest on Investment, ...	4 0 0		
		21 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£27 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£15 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	14 0 0		
		29 0 0	

(Last year, $1\frac{30}{120}$d. and $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Taxes, &c., ...	£20 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	10 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£33 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	25 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	3 0 0		
		29 0 0	
		£62 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			16 0 0
Amount required, ...			£46 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£23 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £20 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, 4 0 0			
	24 0 0		
			47 0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{30}{120}$d. and $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

FORTH SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£74 0 0
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	£42 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	75 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	50 0 0		
		167 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£8 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	190 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	180 0 0		
		378 0 0	
		£619 0 0	
Receipts.			
Special Water Charges, ...			5 0 0
Amount required, ...			£614 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 1s. 4d. per £ will yield ...	£320 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,450.			
An Assessment thereon at 1s. 4d. per £ will yield ...	297 0 0		
		617 0 0	

(Last year, 1s. 2d. and 1s. 2d. per £.)

KIRKFIELDBANK SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£25 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		£35	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	55 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	20 0 0		
		78	0 0
Amount required, ...		£113	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	£58 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	53 0 0		
		111	0 0

(Last year, $6\frac{60}{120}$d. and $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

LAW SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£40 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	25 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	35 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	7 10 0		
State Insurance, ...	1 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	3 10 0		
		£112	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3	0 0
		£115	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£83 0 0		
Special Water Charges, ...	10 0 0		
		93	0 0
Amount required, ...		£22	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £13,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£28 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £12,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £25 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, 12 0 0			
	37 0 0		
		65	0 0

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

LAW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£30 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	12 0 0		
Salary of Drainage Officer, ...	32 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee.	2 10 0		
State Insurance, ...	1 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 10 0		
		£80	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	20 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	17 0 0		
		38	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£118	0 0

Brought forward, ...						£118	0 0
Receipts.							
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...						4	0 0
Amount required, ...						£114	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £13,600.							
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...				£57	0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £12,100.							
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	£51	0	0				
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts.	2	0	0				
				53	0 0		
						110	0 0
(Last year, $\frac{90}{120}$d. and $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)							

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.							
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...						£25	0 0
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...				£240	0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...				140	0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...				85	0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...				4	0 0		
State Insurance, ...				1	0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...				10	0 0		
						480	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				£22	0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...				535	0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...				260	0 0		
						817	0 0
						£1,322	0 0
Receipts.							
Special Water Charges, ...						50	0 0
Amount required, ...						£1,272	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £28,000.							
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...				£670	0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £24,500.							
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£587	0	0				
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,...	13	0	0				
				600	0 0		
						1,270	0 0
(Same as last year.)							

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.							
Taxes, &c., ...				£20	0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...				15	0 0		
Salary of Drainage Officer, ...				25	0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...				2	0 0		
State Insurance, ...				1	0 0		
						£63	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				£2	0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...				25	0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...				12	0 0		
						39	0 0
						£102	0 0
Receipts.							
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...						9	0 0
Amount required, ...						£93	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,100.							
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...				£47	0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,400.							
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£44	0	0				
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	2	0	0				
				46	0 0		
						93	0 0
(Last year, $\frac{90}{120}$d. and $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)							

ROBERTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£10 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	4 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	2 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
		£18 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	35 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	21 0 0		
		58 0 0	
		£76 0 0	

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		10 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£66 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £760.			
An Assessment thereon at 1s. 1d. per £ will yield ...	£41 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £620.			
An Assessment thereon at 1s. 1d. per £ will yield ...	34 0 0		
		75 0 0	

(Last year, 1s. 3d. and 1s. 3d. per £.)

SYMINGTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	£25 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		£35 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£4 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	90 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	75 0 0		
		169 0 0	
		£204 0 0	

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		£38 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£166 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,080.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	£96 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £2,650.			
An Assessment thereon at $7\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield, ...	83 0 0		
		179 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

THANKERTON SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Price of Water purchased, ...	£60 0 0		
Rent, Taxes, &c., ...	10 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Salary of Water Superintendent, ...	1 10 0		
		£76 10 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	10 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0		
		18 0 0	
		£94 10 0	

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		44 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£50 10 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	£42 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	37 10 0		
		79 10 0	

(Last year, 7d. and 7d. per £.)

THANKERTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Taxes, &c.,	£5 0 0		
Repairs and Upkeep,	12 0 0		
Salary of Drainage Officer,	1 10 0		
		£18	10 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	12 0 0		
Interest on Debt,	6 0 0		
		19	0 0
		£37	10 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,		3	0 0
Amount required,		£34	10 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£18 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	16 0 0		
		34	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

IV.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

CARLUKE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply,	£120 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters,	60 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps,	40 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	4 0 0		
State Insurance,	1 0 0		
Miscellaneous,	1 0 0		
		£226	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	9 0 0		
Interest on Debt,	3 0 0		
		17	0 0
		£243	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,		12	0 0
Amount required,		£231	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£120 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield	115 0 0		
		235	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

CROSSLAW SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply, &c.,	£10 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters,	12 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c.,	5 0 0		
		£27	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	3 0 0		
Interest on Bank Account,	2 0 0		
		6	0 0
		£33	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,		4	0 0
Amount required,		£29	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£17 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,850.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	15 0 0		
		32	0 0

(Same as last year.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply, ...	£18 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	10 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	6 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
		£36	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£1 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	5 0 0		
		6	0 0
		£42	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		6	0 0
Amount required, ...		£36	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£22 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	21 0 0		
		43	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		£1	0 0
Cost of Gas Supply, ...	£40 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	13 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	20 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	2 0 0		
		77	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	7 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	3 0 0		
		12	0 0
Amount required, ...		£90	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£47 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	44 0 0		
		91	0 0

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

V.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

CARLUKE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ...	£105 0 0		
Wages of Inspector, ...	14 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	4 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£124	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3	0 0
		£127	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		16	0 0
Amount required, ...		£111	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{105}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£65 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £17,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{105}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	62 0 0		
		127	0 0

(Same as last year.)

DOUGLAS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ...	£70 0 0		
Rent and Upkeep of Coup, ...	5 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		£79	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	5 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	3 0 0		
		10	0 0
		£89	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		7	0 0
Amount required, ...		£82	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{105}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£43 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{105}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	40 0 0		
		83	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

LEADHILLS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,...	£1 0 0
Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ...	85 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0
	£88 0 0

Receipts.

Contribution from Marquis of Linlithgow—one-half of annual expenditure, say, ...	44 0 0
Amount required, ...	£44 0 0

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,200.		
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£22 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,150.		
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	22 0 0	
		44 0 0

(Same as last year.)

LESMAHAGOW SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, ...	£100 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		£104	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		5	0 0
		£109	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		50	0 0
Amount required, ...		£59	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£47 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	44 0 0		
		91	0 0

(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)

DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				£603	0 0
Maintenance—					
Surface Labour, ...	£18,041	0	0		
Materials for Surface Repairs (including Quarry Rents, &c.), ...	24,120	0	0		
Repairs to Bridges, Culverts, Drains, and Fences, ...	2,277	0	0		
Purchase and Repair of Tools, ...	766	0	0		
Repair and upkeep of Footpaths, ...	2,255	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	350	0	0		
Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...	850	0	0		
				48,659	0 0
Management and Miscellaneous—					
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion),	£425	0	0		
Salaries of Clerks in District Office (do.),	964	0	0		
Salaries of District Surveyors and Clerks, ...	1,400	0	0		
Engineer's and Staff's Salaries (proportion), ...	740	0	0		
Upkeep, &c., of Offices (do.), ...	250	0	0		
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	500	0	0		
Postages, receipt and agreement stamps, and petty outlays, ...	350	0	0		
Travelling and expenses of meetings and inspections,	800	0	0		
Law expenses, ...	50	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	100	0	0		
				5,579	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	£2,800	0	0		
Interest on Debt, ...	1,200	0	0		
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	250	0	0		
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	150	0	0		
Repayment of Debt (County of Lanark Tramways),	2,000	0	0		
Interest on Debt (Do. do.),	1,500	0	0		
Proportion of Expenses of Road Board, as per apportionment on page 14, ...	106	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	900	0	0		
				8,906	0 0
				£63,747	0 0

Receipts.

Glasgow, &c., Subvention, ...	£1,500	0	0		
Government Grant, say, ...	2,000	0	0		
Grant from the Road Board, under Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909, ...	6,000	0	0		
Gravel, sand, and metal sold, ...	700	0	0		
Payment by Lanarkshire Tramways Company, ...	800	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	500	0	0		
				11,500	0 0
Amount required, ...				£52,247	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,270,000.					
An Assessment thereon at 5d. per £ will yield	£26,458	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,165,000.					
An Assessment thereon at 5d. per £ will yield £24,271 0 0					
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act, ... 1,600 0 0					
	25,871	0	0		
				52,329	0 0

(Last year, $5\frac{15}{120}$d. and $5\frac{15}{120}$d. per £.)

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				£2,404	0 0
*Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 13, ...				6,667	0 0
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' salaries, ...	£1,900	0	0		
Travelling expenses and subsistence of Sanitary Inspectors,	450	0	0		
Clerical assistance, ...	786	0	0		
Health Visitors' salaries and travelling expenses, ...	600	0	0		
Other expenses, ...	250	0	0		
				3,986	0 0
Fees for notification of diseases, ...				250	0 0
Fees for revaccination, ...				50	0 0
Upkeep of Hospitals—					
Blantyre Hospital, ...	£700	0	0		
Bothwell Do., ...	1,700	0	0		
Dalserf Do., ...	250	0	0		
Longriggend Hospital, ...	1,550	0	0		
Middle Ward Do., ...	9,000	0	0		
Shotts Do., ...	1,750	0	0		
Stonehouse Do., ...	2,000	0	0		
Lightburn Joint-Hospital (proportion), ...	1,500	0	0		
				18,450	0 0
Upkeep of Public Slaughter-houses—					
Bellshill Public Slaughter-house, ...	£1,000	0	0		
Blantyre Public Slaughter-house, ...	900	0	0		
Larkhall Public Slaughter-house, ...	600	0	0		
Stonehouse Public Slaughter-house, ...	230	0	0		
Strathaven Public Slaughter-house, ...	230	0	0		
Shotts Public Slaughter-house, ...	230	0	0		
				3,190	0 0
Interments and disinfecting and removing patients and clothing, ...				600	0 0
Cleaning sewers and cesspools, and scavenging, ...				20	0 0
Management and Miscellaneous—					
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion), ...	£280	0	0		
Salaries of Clerks in District Office (do.), ...	630	0	0		
Upkeep, &c., of Offices (do.), ...	200	0	0		
Salaries of District Engineer and Staff (do.), ...	740	0	0		
Salary and Expenses of Drainage, &c., Inspector, ...	160	0	0		
Salary and expenses of Town-Planning Engineer, ...	400	0	0		
Printing, advertising, and stationery, ...	500	0	0		
Travelling and office expenses, ...	600	0	0		
Expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	50	0	0		
Law expenses, ...	50	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	100	0	0		
				3,710	0 0
Other Payments—					
Returns of Births and Deaths, ...	£150	0	0		
Salary and Expenses of Veterinary Inspector, ...	115	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	50	0	0		
				315	0 0
Repayment of Debt (Hospitals, £4,200; Slaughter-houses, £750; Fire Hydrants, £80), ...	£5,030	0	0		
Interest on Debt, ...	3,000	0	0		
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	250	0	0		
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	150	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	500	0	0		
				8,930	0 0
				£48,572	0 0

Receipts.

Proportion of Government Grant in relief of local rates (less deductions), ...	£6,500	0	0		
Public Slaughter-houses dues, &c., ...	3,500	0	0		
Treatment of Patients chargeable to other Authorities, ...	3,200	0	0		
Government Grant for Tuberculosis, ...	—				
Miscellaneous, ...	200	0	0		
				13,400	0 0
Amount required, ...				£35,172	0 0

* As is explained by the footnote on page 13, no deduction has been made in respect of the proposed Maintenance Grant by the Treasury in aid of the cost of treatment of Tuberculosis.

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,270,000.								
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield				£17,859	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £1,165,000.								
An Assessment thereon at $3\frac{45}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£16,383	0	0					
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	300	0	0					
				16,683	0	0		
							£34,542	0 0

(Last year, $3\frac{15}{120}$d. and $3\frac{15}{120}$d. per £.)

III.—MIDDLE WARD WATER.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...						£1,799	0 0
Payments for water, ...	£100	0	0				
Feu-duties, wayleaves, rents, taxes, &c., ...	6,900	0	0				
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep of pipes, ...	2,500	0	0				
Salaries of water officers and clerks and wages of workmen,	3,450	0	0				
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer (proportion), ...	140	0	0				
Salaries of Clerks in District Office (proportion), ...	322	0	0				
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	200	0	0				
Upkeep, &c., of Offices (proportion), ...	200	0	0				
Expenses of meetings and inspections, ...	100	0	0				
Miscellaneous, ...	80	0	0				
						13,992	0 0
Repayment of Instalments of Loans and Interest (Old Works), ...	£750	0	0				
Annual Instalment (principal and interest) in Repayment of Loan (New Works), ...	19,721	0	0				
Repayment of Debt (New Works—Supplementary). ...	3,500	0	0				
Interest on Debt (Do. do.), ...	5,000	0	0				
Repayment of Debt (New District Offices), ...	250	0	0				
Interest on Debt (Do.), ...	150	0	0				
Expenses promoting Provisional Order, 1913, ...	2,000	0	0				
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	800	0	0				
Interest on Bank Account, ...	40	0	0				
						32,211	0 0
						£48,002	0 0

Receipts.

Special Water Charges, &c., ...						9,000	0 0	
Amount required, ...								£39,002 0 0

PUBLIC WATER RATE.

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,174,000.								
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...				£7.337	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,072,000.								
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d per £ will yield	£6,700	0	0					
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	400	0	0					
				7,100	0	0		
							£14,437	0 0

DOMESTIC WATER RATE.

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £558,300.								
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield				£13,957	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £512,000.								
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield	£12,800	0	0					
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	11	0	0					
				12.811	0	0		
							26,768	0 0
Public Water Rate, same as last year. (Domestic Water Rate, last year, $6\frac{60}{120}$d. and $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)								41,205 0 0

IV.—SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

AITKENHEAD AND TANNOCHSIDE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£35	0	0				
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	1	0	0				
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2	0	0				
Repayment of Debt—							
Sewerage, ...	13	0	0				
Purification, ...	35	0	0				
Interest on Debt—							
Sewerage, ...	6	0	0				
Purification, ...	37	0	0				
						£129	0 0
Carry forward, ...						£129	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£129 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			79 0 0
Amount required, ...			£50 0 0
Owners estimated Valuation of District, £5,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£28 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	27 0 0		
		55 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£40 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	15 0 0		
Purification, ...	85 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Purification, ...	60 0 0		
		£210 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			459 0 0
Amount required, ...			£
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £12,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£76 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £11,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£71 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1 0 0		
	72 0 0		
		148 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£400 0 0		
Feu-duty, Wayleaves, &c., ...	100 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	20 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	30 0 0		
Repayment of New Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	140 0 0		
Purification, ...	330 0 0		
Interest on New Debt—			
Sewerage.	80 0 0		
Purification, ...	450 0 0		
		£1,560 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			433 0 0
Amount required, ...			£1,127 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £54,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£685 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £53,400.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	£667 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1 0 0		
	668 0 0		
		1,353 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

BLANTYRE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,			£350	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...			15	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			15	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			22	0	0
Repayment of New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			230	0	0
Purification, ...			190	0	0
Interest on New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			130	0	0
Purification, ...			100	0	0
				£1,052	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				586	0 0
Amount required, ...				£466	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £49,000.					
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...		£408	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,000.					
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£383	0	0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1	0	0		
		384	0	0	
				792	0 0

(Same as last year.)

BOTHWELL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...			£120	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...			7	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			6	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			6	0	0
Repayment of Debt—					
Purification, ...			90	0	0
Interest on Debt—					
Purification, ...			90	0	0
				£319	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				155	0 0
Amount required, ...				£164	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £20,300.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...		£106	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £19,500.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...		102	0	0	
				208	0 0

(Same as last year.)

BUSBY SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...			£70	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...			5	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			2	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			5	0	0
Repayment of Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			10	0	0
Purification, ...			55	0	0
Interest on Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			4	0	0
Purification, ...			60	0	0
				£211	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				26	0 0
Amount required, ...				£185	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,300.					
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...		£103	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,200.					
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...		101	0	0	
				204	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,			£400	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...			15	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			20	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			30	0	0
Repayment of Old Debt and Interest, ...			92	0	0
Repayment of New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			260	0	0
Purification, ...			520	0	0
Interest on New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			110	0	0
Purification, ...			600	0	0
				£2,047	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				1,111	0 0
Amount required, ...				£936	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £87,300.					
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...		£727	0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £85,000.					
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£708 0 0				
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	5 0 0				
		713	0 0		
				1,440	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CARFIN AND CLEEKHIMIN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...			£30	0	0
Feu-duty, ...			11	0	0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...			3	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			1	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			3	0	0
Repayment of New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			32	0	0
Purification, ...			20	0	0
Interest on New Debt—					
Sewerage, ...			25	0	0
Purification, ...			18	0	0
				£143	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				1	0 0
Amount required, ...				£142	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,200.					
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield ...		£70	0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,000.					
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield	£67 0 0				
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1 0 0				
		68	0 0		
				138	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CHAPELHALL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				£73	0 0
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...			£50	0	0
Feu-duty, ...			15	0	0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			1	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			3	0	0
Repayment of New Debt—Purification, ...			35	0	0
Interest on New Debt— do., ...			50	0	0
				154	0 0
Amount required, ...				£227	0 0

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,450.				
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	£101	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,350.				
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	98	0	0	
				£199 0 0

(Last year 6d. and 6d. per £.)

CLELAND AND OMOA SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				£33 0 0
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£45	0	0	
Feu-duty, ...	15	0	0	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	1	0	0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	6	0	0	
Repayment of Debt—				
Sewerage, ...	28	0	0	
Purification, ...	37	0	0	
Interest on Debt—				
Sewerage, ...	15	0	0	
Purification, ...	40	0	0	
				187 0 0
Amount required, ...				£220 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,050.				
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£112	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,900.				
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	108	0	0	
				220 0 0

(Same as last year.)

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£180	0	0	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2	0	0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	15	0	0	
Repayment of Debt—				
Sewerage, ...	190	0	0	
Purification, ...	110	0	0	
Interest on Debt—				
Sewerage, ...	120	0	0	
Purification, ...	130	0	0	
				£747 0 0
				£747 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£614	0	0	
Payment from Town Council of Motherwell, ...	120	0	0	
				734 0 0
Amount required, ...				£13 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £20,600.				
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£257	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £20,000.				
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	£250	0	0	
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,	1	0	0	
	251	0	0	
				508 0 0

(Last year 4d. and 4d. per £.)

EAST KILBRIDE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£19 0 0
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£100 0 0		
Feu duty.	16 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee.	5 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	12 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	85 0 0		
Purification, ...	90 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	42 0 0		
Purification, ...	105 0 0		
		458	0 0
Amount required, ...		£477	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£219 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	205 0 0		
		424	0 0

(Last year 6d. and 6d. per £.)

HAMILTON ROAD SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Payment to Burgh of Motherwell, ...	£25 0 0		
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	6 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	12 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	10 0 0		
		£65	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		50	0 0
Amount required, ...		£15	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,400.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£27 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,200.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	26 0 0		
		53	0 0

(Last year $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

HOLYTOWN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£50 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	22 0 0		
Purification, ...	5 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	12 0 0		
Purification.	6 0 0		
		£101	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		68	0 0
Amount required, ...		£33	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£38 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,400.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	37 0 0		
		75	0 0

(Same as last year.)

LARKHALL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Rents, wayleaves, &c., ...							£30	0	0		
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,							250	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...							15	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...							5	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...							20	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—											
Sewerage, ...							260	0	0		
Purification.							140	0	0		
Interest on Debt—											
Sewerage, ...							110	0	0		
Purification, ...							200	0	0		
										£1,030	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May 1913, ...							£252	0	0		
Rent of Braehead Farm, &c. and Slaughter-house Site, ...							60	0	0		
										312	0 0
Amount required, ...										£718	0 0

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £36,300.

An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...							£397	0	0		

Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £35,000.

An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield						£383	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,						2	0	0			
									385	0	0
										782	0 0

(Same as last year.)

MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...							£100	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...							5	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...							12	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—											
Sewerage, ...							230	0	0		
Purification, ...							120	0	0		
Interest on Debt—											
Sewerage, ...							20	0	0		
Purification, ...							60	0	0		
										£547	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913.										320	0 0
Amount required, ...										£227	0 0

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £31,000.

An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield							£194	0	0		

Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £29,700.

An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield						£186	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Act,						7	0	0			
									193	0	0
										387	0 0

(Same as last year.)

NEWMAINS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...							£150	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...							5	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...							10	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...							15	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—											
Sewerage, ...							100	0	0		
Purification, ...							180	0	0		
Interest on Debt—											
Sewerage, ...							85	0	0		
Purification, ...							260	0	0		
										£805	0 0
Carry forward, ...										£805	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£805 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			722 0 0
Amount required, ...			£83 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £26,250.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£219 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £26,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	217 0 0		
		436	0 0
(Last year $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

NEW STEVENSTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£50 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	2 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ...	25 0 0		
Interest on Debt— do., ...	12 0 0		
		£94	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		56	0 0
Amount required, ...		£38	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£31 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	28 0 0		
		59	0 0
(Same as last year.)			

NEWTON AND FLEMINGTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£150 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	15 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	170 0 0		
Purification, ...	160 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	25 0 0		
Purification, ...	110 0 0		
		£655	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		228	0 0
Amount required.		£427	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£282 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £22,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	275 0 0		
		557	0 0
(Same as last year.)			

SHOTTS AND DYKEHEAD SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		£6	0 0
Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£20 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	12 0 0		
Repayment of Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	100 0 0		
Purification, ...	80 0 0		
Interest on Debt—			
Sewerage, ...	90 0 0		
Purification, ...	120 0 0		
		427	0 0
Amount required, ...		£433	0 0

Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£229	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,200.					
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	221	0	0		
				£450	0	0

(First Assessment.)

STONEHOUSE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£60	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	6	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ...	100	0	0		
Interest on Debt— Do., ...	50	0	0		
				£221	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				188	0	0
Amount required, ...				£33	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,200.					
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£85	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,600.					
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	79	0	0		
				164	0	0

(Same as last year.)

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, ...	£200	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.	3	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	22	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	150	0	0		
Purification, ...	200	0	0		
Interest on Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	80	0	0		
Purification, ...	175	0	0		
				£840	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				308	0	0
Amount required, ...				£532	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,400.					
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£376	0	0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £15,600.					
An Assessment thereon at $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	357	0	0		
				733	0	0

(Last year 6d. and 6d. per £.)

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Repairs, extensions, and upkeep, and wages of workmen,	£200	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15	0	0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	12	0	0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	17	0	0		
Repayment of Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	100	0	0		
Purification, ...	150	0	0		
Interest on Debt—					
Sewerage, ...	30	0	0		
Purification, ...	170	0	0		
				£694	0	0
Carry forward, ...				£694	0	0

Brought forward, ...			£694 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			383 0 0
Amount required, ...			£311 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £45,600. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£285 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £43,500. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	272 0 0		
			557 0 0
(Same as last year.)			

V.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

AITKENHEAD AND TANNOCHSIDE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...			£30 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...			30 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...			15 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...			5 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...			3 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			3 0 0
			£86 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			46 0 0
Amount required, ...			£40 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,400. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£45 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,200. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	43 0 0		
			88 0 0
(Same as last year.)			

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£65 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	45 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	35 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	6 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	12 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	4 0 0		
			£174 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			14 0 0
Amount required, ...			£160 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £14,200. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£89 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13.500. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	84 0 0		
			173 0 0
(Same as last year.)			

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£41 0 0
Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£170 0 0		
Wages of Inspector and Lamplighters, ...	120 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	50 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	11 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	12 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	30 0 0		
Interest on Debt.	12 0 0		
		410	0 0
Amount required, ...		£451	0 0
*Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £54,800. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£228 0 0		
*Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £53,400. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	223 0 0		
		451	0 0

(Same as last year.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

BLANTYRE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£320 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	170 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	100 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	18 0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	37 0 0
Interest on Debt, ...	12 0 0
	£682 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	223 0 0
Amount required, ...	£459 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £53,000. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £276 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £50,900. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 265 0 0	
	541 0 0

(Last year $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

BOTHWELL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£140 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	100 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	50 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	12 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	9 0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	20 0 0
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0
	£342 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	31 0 0
Amount required, ...	£311 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,100. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £161 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,300. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 155 0 0	
	316 0 0

(Same as last year.)

BOTHWELL PARK SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£30 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	27 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	8 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	7 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	6 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	4 0 0		
		£87	0 0
Receipts.		£87	0 0
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		12	0 0
Amount required, ...		£75	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £3,800. An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£47 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £3,750. An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	47 0 0		
		94	0 0

(Last year $3\frac{15}{120}$d. and $3\frac{15}{120}$d. per £.)

BUSBY SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£25 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	20 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	14 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	2 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	1 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0		
		£64	0 0
Receipts.		£64	0 0
Balance in bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		8	0 0
Amount required, ...		£56	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £4,200. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£35 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £4,100. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	34 0 0		
		69	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CALDERBANK SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, including lighting, &c., ...		£45	0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...		2	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...		1	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...		1	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		2	0 0
		£51	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		10	0 0
Amount required, ...		£41	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,000. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£25 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,800. An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	24 0 0		
		49	0 0

(Same as last year.)

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas and Electric Light Supply for year, ...		£805	0 0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...		290	0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...		235	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...		15	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...		20	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		45	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...		95	0 0
Interest on Debt, ...		50	0 0
		£1,555	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		89	0 0
Amount required, ...		£1,466	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £110,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£806 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £108,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	787 0 0		
		1,593	0 0
(Same as last year.)			

CARMYLE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£35	0 0
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	30	0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	20	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	4	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	3	0 0
	£94	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		30	0 0
Amount required, ...		£64	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £11,400.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£47 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £10,900.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	45 0 0		
		92	0 0
(Same as last year.)			

CLELAND AND OMOA SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, ...	£40 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	35 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, ...	10 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	4 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	12 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	8 0 0		
		117	0 0
		£117	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		40	0 0
Amount required, ...		£77	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield...	£62 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield...	59 0 0		
		121	0 0
(Last year 2d. and 2d. per £.)			

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£70 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			85 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps, &c.,			25 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			5 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			2 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			5 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			25 0 0
Interest on Debt,			14 0 0
			£231 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,			153 0 0
Amount required,			£78 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £20,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	£86 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £20,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	83 0 0		
			£169 0 0

(Same as last year.)

EAST KILBRIDE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,			£13 0 0
Cost of Gas Supply for year,	£60 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters,	38 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps,	22 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	4 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	1 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	4 0 0		
		132 0 0	
Amount required,		£145 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£74 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	70 0 0		
		144 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

GARTLEA SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year, including lighting, &c.,			£20 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			2 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			1 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			1 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			1 0 0
			£25 0 0

Receipts.

* Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,			12 0 0
Amount required,			£13 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,540.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£13 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	13 0 0		
		26 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

*Last year's Account for Gas not yet paid (£6 3s. 4d.)

GLENGOWAN AND CALDERCRUIX SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£25 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			30 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			5 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			5 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			5 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			3 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			10 0 0
Interest on Debt,			4 0 0
			£87 0 0

Receipts.

* Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,			40 0 0
Amount required,			£47 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£50 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,800.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	48 0 0		
		98 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

* Last year's Account for Gas not yet paid (£20 18s. 10d.)

HOLYTOWN, NEW STEVENSTON, AND CARFIN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due Bank at 15th May, 1913,			£9 0 0
Cost of Gas and Electric Light Supply for year,	£210 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters,	110 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c.,	50 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	3 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	12 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	25 0 0		
Interest on Debt,	12 0 0		
		432 0 0	
Amount required,		£441 0 0	
* Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £30,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£224 0 0		
* Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £29,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	218 0 0		
		442 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

LARKHALL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£160 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			100 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			80 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			5 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			9 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			14 0 0
Interest on Debt,			12 0 0
			£390 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,			72 0 0
Amount required,			£318 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £37,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£173 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £36,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield	169 0 0		
		342 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

NEWARTHILL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£40 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			38 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			10 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			4 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			5 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			3 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			9 0 0
Interest on Debt,			5 0 0
			£114 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,			36 0 0
Amount required,			£78 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £5,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£54 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	52 0 0		
		106 0 0	
(Last year $2\frac{90}{120}$d. and $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)			

NEWMAINS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£60 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			90 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			30 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee.			5 0 0
Printing, postages. stationery, and incidents.			15 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			7 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			25 0 0
Interest on Debt,			16 0 0
			£248 0 0

Receipts.

*Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,			113 0 0
Amount required,			£135 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £26,250.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield...	£123 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £26,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield...	122 0 0		
		245 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

NORTH MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,			£1 0 0
Cost of Gas Supply for year,	£5 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters,	7 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps,	2 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	1 0 0		
		17 0 0	
Amount required,			£18 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ..	£11 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ..	10 0 0		
		21 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

* Last year's Account for Gas not yet paid (£49 10s. 2d.)

SHOTTS AND DYKEHEAD SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,		£140 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,		80 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,		50 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,		10 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,		10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,		9 0 0
Repayment of Debt,		25 0 0
Interest on Debt,		10 0 0
		£334 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,		115 0 0
Amount required,		£219 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £21,600. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£157 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,000. An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	153 0 0	
		310 0 0

(Last year 2d. and 2d. per £.)

STONEHOUSE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,		£30 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,		20 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,		20 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,		2 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,		2 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,		2 0 0
		£76 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,		42 0 0
Amount required,		£34 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £8,500. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	£35 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	33 0 0	
		68 0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{30}{120}$d. and $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,		£1 0 0
Cost of Gas Supply for year,	£120 0 0	
Wages of Lamplighters,	70 0 0	
Upkeep of Lamps,	30 0 0	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	10 0 0	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	2 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	6 0 0	
Repayment of Debt,	9 0 0	
Interest on Debt,	4 0 0	
		251 0 0
Amount required,		£252 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,400. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	£137 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £15,700. An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield	131 0 0	
		268 0 0

(Same as last year.)

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Gas Supply for year,			£200 0 0
Wages of Lamplighters,			110 0 0
Upkeep of Lamps,			70 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,			15 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,			10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,			12 0 0
Repayment of Debt,			25 0 0
Interest on Debt.			10 0 0
			£452 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913,			190 0 0
Amount required,			£262 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £47,900. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	£200 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £45,800. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield	191 0 0		
			391 0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{15}{120}$d. and $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £.)

VI.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

BAILLIESTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,			£96 0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c.,	£240 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	3 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection,	9 0 0		
		254 0 0	
Amount required,		£350 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £14,200. An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	£177 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,500. An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield	169 0 0		
		346 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

BELLSHILL AND MOSSEND SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913,			£218 0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c.,	£860 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,	11 0 0		
Upkeep of Urinals.	15 0 0		
Wages and upkeep of Destructor,	300 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents,	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	45 0 0		
Repayment of Debt,	190 0 0		
Interest on Debt,	160 0 0		
		1,586 0 0	
Amount required,		£1,804 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £54,800. An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield	£913 0 0		
*Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £53,400. An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield	890 0 0		
		1,803 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

BLANTYRE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£62 0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£520 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee.	15 0 0		
Wages and upkeep of Destructor, ...	300 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	10 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	30 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	115 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	100 0 0		
		1,090 0 0	
Amount required,...		£1,152 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £48,900.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£611 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,000.			
An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	575 0 0		
		1,186 0 0	

(Same as last year.)

BOTHWELL SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£260 0 0
Rent of land for destructor (proportion), ...	7 0 0
Wages and upkeep of destructor (proportion), ...	120 0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, &c., ...	13 0 0
Printing, postages, stationery. and incidents, ...	10 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection.	12 0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	25 0 0
Interest on Debt, ...	10 0 0
	£457 0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913.	52 0 0
Amount required, ...	£405 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £22,100.	
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £207 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £21,300.	
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 200 0 0	
	407 0 0

(Same as last year.)

CAMBUSLANG SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		£133 0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£1,250 0 0	
Wages and upkeep of destructor, ...	680 0 0	
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15 0 0	
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	30 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	60 0 0	
Repayment of Debt, ...	260 0 0	
Interest on Debt, ...	170 0 0	
	2,465 0 0	
	£2,598 0 0	

Receipts.

Miscellaneous, ...	100 0 0
Amount required, ...	£2,498 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £110,600.	
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £1.267 0 0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £108,000.	
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 1,237 0 0	
	2,504 0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{30}{120}$d. and $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

CARMYLE AND MOUNT VERNON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...		£260	0 0
Rent of stable and coup.		10	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...		5	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...		10	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		9	0 0
		£294	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		62	0 0
Amount required, ...		£232	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £29,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £154 0 0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £28,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 146 0 0			
		300	0 0

(Same as last year.)

DALZELL AND NETHERTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£130	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee,...	3	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	4	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...	12	0 0
Interest on Debt, ...	10	0 0
	£164	0 0
Receipts.		
Balance in bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	138	0 0
Amount required, ...	£26	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £20,900.		
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... £65 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £20,300.		
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ... 63 0 0		
	128	0 0

(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)

GARTLEA SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£2	0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ... £16 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ... 1 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ... 1 0 0		
	18	0 0
Amount required, ...	£20	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,540.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ... £13 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,500.		
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ... 12 0 0		
	25	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

HAMILTON ROAD SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£40 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	2 0 0		
		£44	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		6	0 0
Amount required, ...		£38	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,400. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£27 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £6,200. An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	26 0 0		
		53	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{30}{120}$d. and $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

HOLYTOWN, NEW STEVENSTON, AND CARFIN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		£278	0 0
Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£490 0 0		
Wages and upkeep of Destructor, ...	170 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	5 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	30 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	100 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	90 0 0		
		890	0 0
		£1,168	0 0
Receipts.			
Rents of Houses, &c., ...		40	0 0
Amount required, ...		£1,128	0 0
* Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £30,700. An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£576 0 0		
* Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £29,900. An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	561 0 0		
		1,137	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{90}{120}$d. and $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

* Subject to the consent of the Local Government Board, under Section 16 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908.

SALSBURGH SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...	£24 0 0		
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...	6 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	1 0 0		
		£31	0 0
Receipts.			
* Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		18	0 0
Amount required, ...		£13	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £1,350. An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	£17 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,250. An Assessment thereon at 3d. per £ will yield ...	16 0 0		
		33	0 0

(Same as last year).

* Part of Scavenging Expenditure for last year to be met (£12 10s.)

STRATHAVEN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...		£160	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...		10	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents, ...		1	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3	0 0
		£174	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		46	0 0
Amount required, ...		£128	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £16,400.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	£68 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £15,700.			
An Assessment thereon at 1d. per £ will yield ...	65 0 0		
		133	0 0

(Last year, $\frac{90}{120}$d. and $\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

UDDINGSTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of sweeping and cleaning streets, &c., ...		£570	0 0
Rent of land for destructor (proportion), ...		13	0 0
Wages and upkeep of destructor (proportion), ...		250	0 0
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, &c., ...		18	0 0
Printing, postages, stationery, and incidents.		10	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		28	0 0
Repayment of Debt, ...		70	0 0
Interest on Debt, ...		25	0 0
		£984	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		162	0 0
Amount required, ...		£822	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £48,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£506 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £46,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	484 0 0		
		990	0 0

(Same as last year.)

DISTRICT OF THE LOWER WARD.

I.—HIGHWAYS.

Expenditure.

Maintenance (as per Surveyor's Annual Report)—						
Surface Labour, ...	£5,640	0	0			
Materials for Surface Repairs (including Metal), ...	4,760	0	0			
Repairs on Bridges, Culverts, Drains, and Fences, ...	200	0	0			
Purchase and Repair of Tools, ...	200	0	0			
Footpaths, Kerbing, and Causewaying Crossings, ...	1,430	0	0			
Miscellaneous, ...	204	0	0			
Improvement of Roads and Bridges, ...	100	0	0			
	£12,534	0	0			
Tar Macadam and Tar Spraying, ...	1,300	0	0			
				£13,834	0	0
Causewaying Main Roads, ...				1,000	0	0
Management and Miscellaneous—						
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer, Staff and Office,	£500	0	0			
Salary, &c., of District Surveyor, ...	425	0	0			
Rent, Cleaning, and Lighting of Surveyor's Office, ...	25	0	0			
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	125	0	0			
Postages, Receipt and Agreement Stamps, and Petty Outlays, ...	60	0	0			
Expenses of Meetings and Inspections, ...	15	0	0			
Law Expenses, including Court Proceedings and Compensation for Accidents, ...	300	0	0			
Expenses connected with Provisional Orders, &c., ...	250	0	0			
Miscellaneous and Contingencies, ...	300	0	0			
				2,000	0	0
Proportion of Expenses of Road Board, as per apportionment on page 14, ...	£18	0	0			
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	150	0	0			
				168	0	0
Proportion of Expenditure for Dalmarnock and Rutherglen Joint Bridges, ...				50	0	0
				£17,052	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£2,033	0	0			
Subventions, ...	6,000	0	0			
Government Grant in aid of Maintenance of Roads, ...	575	0	0			
Contribution in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	136	0	0			
Grant by the General Road Board, ...	900	0	0			
Miscellaneous, ...	70	0	0			
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	124	0	0			
				9,838	0	0
Amount required, ...				£7,214	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £217,000.						
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield ...	£3,616	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £196,000.						
An Assessment thereon at 4d. per £ will yield	£3,266	0	0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	300	0	0			
	3,566	0	0			
				7,182	0	0

(Last year, $3\frac{45}{120}$d. and $3\frac{45}{120}$d. per £.)

II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Expenditure.

*Share of General Expenditure, as per apportionment on page 13, ...				£1,139	0 0
District and Local Sanitary Inspectors' Salaries, ...	£700	0	0		
Travelling Expenses of Sanitary Inspectors, ...	50	0	0		
Clerical Assistance in Sanitary Office, ...	100	0	0		
Other Expenses, ...	350	0	0		
				1,200	0 0
Fees for Notification of Diseases, ...				70	0 0
Upkeep of Hospitals—					
Lightburn, ...	£2,500	0	0		
Middle Ward Hospitals (Phthisis), ...	100	0	0		
				2,600	0 0
Interments, and Disinfecting and Removing Patients and Clothing, ...				50	0 0
Cleaning Cesspools, &c., and Scavenging, ...				125	0 0
Fire Plugs and Hydrants for Fire-extinguishing purposes, ...				50	0 0
Management and Miscellaneous—					
Salary of District Clerk and Treasurer, Staff and Office,	£500	0	0		
Printing, Advertising, and Stationery, ...	140	0	0		
Postages and Petty Outlays, ...	50	0	0		
Expenses of Meetings and Inspections, ...	10	0	0		
Law Expenses, including Prosecutions, ...	50	0	0		
Expenses connected with Provisional Orders, &c., ...	250	0	0		
Miscellaneous and Contingencies, ...	250	0	0		
				1,250	0 0
Other Payments—					
Returns of Births and Deaths, ...	£50	0	0		
Returns of Conscientious Objectors to Vaccination, ...	5	0	0		
				55	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				80	0 0
				£6,619	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£933	0	0		
Proportion of Equivalent Grant, ...	1,500	0	0		
Contribution in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	70	0	0		
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	591	0	0		
				3,094	0 0
Amount required, ...				£3,525	0 0
Owners' Estimated Valuation of District, £217,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£1,582	0	0		
Occupiers' Estimated Valuation of District, £196,000.					
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£1,429	0	0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,	160	0	0		
	1,589	0	0		
				3,171	0 0

(Same as last year.)

*Note.—As is explained by the footnote on page 13, no deduction has been made in respect of the proposed Maintenance Grant by the Treasury in aid of the cost of treatment of Tuberculosis. Should there be a deficiency in this District's Public Health Account, after crediting the District's quota of the Grant referred to, it will be met by way of a special contribution from the Glasgow Compensation Moneys.

III.—SPECIAL WATER DISTRICTS.

NORTH CADDER SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Payments for Water, ...	£480	0	0		
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	35	0	0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep of Pipes, &c., ...	40	0	0		
Salaries of Water Officers, ...	65	0	0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	15	0	0		
Engineers' Fees, ...	10	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	5	0	0		
				£650	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£15	0	0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	400	0	0		
Interest on Debt, ...	220	0	0		
				635	0 0
Carry forward, ...				£1,285	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£1,285 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£170 0 0		
Special Water and Meter Charges, ...	320 0 0		
		490 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£795 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £19,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield	£498 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,700.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	357 0 0		
		855 0 0	
(Last year. $6\frac{60}{120}$d. and $6\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

SOUTH CADDER SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Payments for Water, ...	£2,600 0 0		
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	90 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep of Pipes, &c., ...	120 0 0		
Salaries of Water Officers, ...	280 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	20 0 0		
Engineers' Fees, ...	20 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	30 0 0		
		£3,160 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£50 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	710 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	335 0 0		
		1,095 0 0	
		£4,255 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...	£647 0 0		
Special Water and Meter Charges, ...	1,387 0 0		
Water Connections, ...	3 0 0		
		2,037 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£2,218 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £66,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 5d. per £ will yield ...	£1,385 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £52,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 5d. per £ will yield ...	1,093 0 0		
		£2,478 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL WATER DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Burgh of Kirkintilloch, in terms of Agreement of 1875,	£350 0 0		
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, &c., ...	6 0 0		
		£356 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		34 0 0	
Amount required, ...			£322 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield ...	£190 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District. £7,250.			
An Assessment thereon at 6d. per £ will yield	£181 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, ...	3 0 0		
	184 0 0		
		374 0 0	
(Same as last year.)			

IV.—SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

BARONY SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes, ...	£6 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	22 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	2 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Engineers' Fees, &c., ...	5 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	5 0 0		
		42	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	60 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	37 0 0		
		102	0 0
		£144	0 0

Receipts.

Contribution in lieu of Rates on Government Property, ...	£20 0 0		
Drainage Connections, ...	30 0 0		
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	33 0 0		
		83	0 0
Amount required, ...		£61	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £26,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{94}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£86 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £24,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $\frac{94}{120}$d. per £ will yield £78 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts,... 2 0 0			
	80 0 0		
		166	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{45}{120}$d. and $1\frac{45}{120}$d. per £.)

NOTE.—In addition, the Glasgow Sewage Purification Rate leviable on the Northern portion of the District, in terms of the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, is $2\frac{104}{120}$d. on owners and $2\frac{104}{120}$d. on occupiers. (Last year, 2d. and 2d).

WESTTHORN SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS.

In the southern portion of the district, outwith the Glasgow Sewage Purification Area, served by these works, the following is the estimate of Expenditure for the current year :—

Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes, ...	£150 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	30 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	110 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	20 0 0		
		£315	0 0
Repayment of Debt, say	£166 0 0		
Interest on Debt, say	234 0 0		
		400	0 0
		£715	0 0

Receipts.

Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	£33 0 0		
Rateable proportion of expenditure recoverable from the Corporation of Glasgow, ...	690 0 0		
		723	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{50}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£35 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{50}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	32 0 0		
		67	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

NOTE.—There is a Maintenance Balance in Bank of £297, which falls to be adjusted between the above two accounts.

BISHOPBRIGGS AND AUCHINAIRN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£60 0 0
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes, ...	£70 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	20 0 0		
Wages of Workmen.	70 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5 0 0		
		165	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£15 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	390 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	280 0 0		
		685	0 0
Amount required, ...		£910	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £17,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£456 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £16,600.			
An Assessment thereon at $6\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	432 0 0		
		888	0 0
(Last year, $5\frac{60}{120}$d. and $5\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

CARMUNNOCK SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rent and Taxes, ...	£5 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	5 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	16 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	1 0 0		
		£32	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	... ..	2	0 0
Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ... £36 0 0			
Purification,... ... 12 0 0			
	48 0 0		
Interest on Debt—Sewerage, ... £38 0 0			
Purification. 21 0 0			
	59 0 0		
		107	0 0
		£141	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913 (after crediting Capital Expenditure temporarily met out of Maintenance Account), ...		26	0 0
Amount required, ...		£115	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £2,100.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	£61 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £1,900.			
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield	£55 0 0		
Grant under Agricultural Rates (Scotland) Act, 1896.	1 0 0		
	56 0 0		
		117	0 0
(Last year, 5d. and 5d. per £.)			

CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes, ...	£38 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep.	22 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	45 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5 0 0		
		£110	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	... ...	12	0 0
Repayment of Debt—Sewerage, ...	£190 0 0		
Purification, ...	55 0 0		
		245	0 0
Interest on Debt—Sewerage, ...	£165 0 0		
Purification, ...	86 0 0		
		251	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£618	0 0

Brought forward, ...				£618 0 0
Receipts.				
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913 (after crediting Capital Expenditure temporarily met out of Maintenance Account), ...				38 0 0
Amount required, ...				£580 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,200,				
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	£297	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,800.				
An Assessment thereon at 7d. per £ will yield ...	286	0	0	
				583 0 0
(Last year, 6d. and 6d. per £.)				

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.				
Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes.	£45	0	0	
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	70	0	0	
Wages of Workmen, ...	15	0	0	
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	10	0	0	
				£140 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£12	0	0	
Repayment of Debt,...	190	0	0	
Interest on Debt, ...	100	0	0	
				302 0 0
				£442 0 0
Receipts.				
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				315 0 0
Amount required, ...				£127 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £37,000.				
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ..	£193	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £35,000.				
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	182	0	0	
				375 0 0
(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)				

NOTE.—In addition, the Glasgow Sewage Purification Rate to be levied within Lanarkshire Area No. 1 (whole of the Parish of Rutherglen) as scheduled to the Glasgow Corporation (Sewage, &c.) Act, 1898, is 2d. per £ on Owners and 2d. per £ on Occupiers (same as last year).

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.				
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1912, ...				£88 0 0
Burgh of Kirkintilloch, in terms of Agreement of 1887, ...				*Nil.*
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3	0	0	
Repayment of Debt, ...	200	0	0	
Interest on Debt, ...	38	0	0	
				£241 0 0
				£329 0 0
Receipts.				
Balance due by Burgh of Kirkintilloch at 15th May, 1913, ...				113 0 0
Amount required, ...				£216 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £9,350.				
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£97	0	0	
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £8,800.				
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £92 0 0				
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, 5 0 0				
	97	0	0	
				194 0 0
(Same as last year.)				

STEPPS SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Feu-duties, Wayleaves, Rents, and Taxes, ...	£56 0 0		
Repairs, Extensions, and Upkeep, ...	40 0 0		
Wages of Workmen, ...	40 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5 0 0		
		£141	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£7 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	170 0 0		
Interest on Debt—Sewerage, ...	135 0 0		
		312	0 0
		£453	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		154	0 0
Amount required, ...		£299	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District. £10,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£182 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,950.			
An Assessment thereon at $4\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	176 0 0		
		358	0 0

(Last year, 4d. and 4d. per £.)

V.—SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICTS.

BISHOPBRIGGS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Gas Supply, ...	£71 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	78 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	37 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	9 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	7 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
		£204	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£4 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	12 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0		
		22	0 0
		£226	0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		15	0 0
Amount required, ...		£211	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£109 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £15,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	105 0 0		
		214	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{60}{120}$d. and $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)

CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Gas Supply, ...	£53 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	43 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	19 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c.,...	3 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	8 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	3 0 0		
		£132	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	10 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	6 0 0		
		19	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£151	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£151 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			7 0 0
Amount required, ...			£144 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£74 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	70 0 0		
		144 0 0	
(Last year, 2d. and 2d. per £.)			

LAMBHILL SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Gas Supply, ...	£27 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	39 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	12 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents.	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£86 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	5 0 0		
		8 0 0	
		£94 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		1 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£93 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £6,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£57 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £5,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	51 0 0		
		108 0 0	
(Last year $2\frac{60}{120}$d. and $2\frac{60}{120}$d. per £.)			

MILLERSTON AND STEPPS SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Gas Supply, ...	£74 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	51 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	47 0 0		
New Lamps, ...	27 0 0		
Rent, Taxes, &c., ...	6 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	12 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	4 0 0		
		£223 0 0	
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	18 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	8 0 0		
		31 0 0	
		£254 0 0	
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913 (after crediting £25 17s. 4d. for Lighting, &c., Lamps outwith this District to be met out of the Equivalent Grant), ...		23 0 0	
Amount required, ...		£231 0 0	
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £13,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£124 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £12,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	117 0 0		
		241 0 0	
(Last year $2\frac{15}{120}$d. and $2\frac{15}{120}$d. per £.)			

NORTH SHETTLESTON SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£408 0 0
Gas Supply, ...	£64 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters. and Uniforms, ...	94 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c..	12 0 0		
Rent, Taxes, &c., ...	7 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	15 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2 0 0		
		196	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£3 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	20 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	7 0 0		
		30	0 0
		£634	0 0

Receipts.

Glasgow Corporation for lighting Private Streets and Back Courts for first half of year 1912-13, ...	£433 0 0		
Cost of Lighting, &c., Lamps in Middle Ward, ...	7 0 0		
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...	33 0 0		
		473	0 0
Amount required, ...		£161	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £14,500.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£91 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £13,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{60}{120}$d. per £ will yield £81 0 0			
Grant under Agricultural Rates Acts, 4 0 0			
	85 0 0		
		£176	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{30}{120}$d. and $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Gas Supply, ...	£190 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighters, ...	135 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	70 0 0		
New Lamps, ...	20 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	10 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous	2 0 0		
		£430	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£10 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	25 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	8 0 0		
		43	0 0
		£473	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		57	0 0
Amount required, ...		£416	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £26,500.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£221 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £25,300.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	211 0 0		
		432	0 0

(Last year, $1\frac{90}{120}$d. and $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £.)

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£4 0 0
Gas Supply, ...	£44 0 0		
Wages of Lamplighter, ...	36 0 0		
Upkeep of Lamps, &c., ...	59 0 0		
Rents, Taxes, &c., ...	6 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 5 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents.	2 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	4 15 0		
		£157	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3	0 0
Amount required, ...		£164	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£86 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,550.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield	83 0 0		
		169	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{30}{120}$d. and $2\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)

VI.—SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICTS.

BISHOPBRIGGS AND AUCHINAIRN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£230 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	8 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	1 0 0		
Upkeep of Urinal, ...	20 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	3 0 0		
		£262	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£6 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	7 0 0		
		13	0 0
		£275	0 0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...		25	0 0
Amount required, ...		£250	0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £16,600.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	£138 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £15,900.			
An Assessment thereon at 2d. per £ will yield ...	132 0 0		
		270	0 0

(Last year, $2\frac{15}{120}$d. and $2\frac{15}{120}$d. per £.)

CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£100 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	3 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	1 0 0		
		£109	0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...		3	0 0
Carry forward, ...		£112	0 0

Brought forward, ...			£112 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			17 0 0
Amount required, ...			£95 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,800.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£53 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,400.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{75}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	50 0 0		
			103 0 0
(Same as last year.)			

NORTH SHETTLESTON SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Balance due to Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			£44 0 0
Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£180 0 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2 0 0		
Maintenance and Repair of Dust Carts, ...	10 0 0		
Cost of Destruction of Refuse and Rent of Coup, ...	67 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	3 0 0		
			262 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...	£5 0 0		
Repayment of Debt, ...	20 0 0		
Interest on Debt, ...	10 0 0		
			35 0 0
			£341 0 0
Receipts.			
Instalment from Compensation Moneys received under The Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, ...			33 0 0
Amount required, ...			£308 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £13,200.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£151 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £12,000.			
An Assessment thereon at $2\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	138 0 0		
			289 0 0
(Last year, $3\frac{30}{120}$d. and $3\frac{30}{120}$d. per £.)			

RUTHERGLEN SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.			
Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£168 0 0		
Cost of Destruction of Refuse, ...	80 0 0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5 5 0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	3 15 0		
Upkeep of Dust Cart and Repairs, ...	8 0 0		
Miscellaneous, ...	4 0 0		
			£269 0 0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...			6 0 0
			£275 0 0
Receipts.			
Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...			32 0 0
Amount required, ...			£243 0 0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £26,300.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£123 0 0		
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £25,100.			
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{15}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	117 0 0		
			240 0 0
(Last year, 1d. and 1d. per £.)			

SOUTH LENZIE SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£100	10	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	5	5	0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	2	5	0		
Rent of Depôt, ...	3	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	2	0	0		
				£113	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				3	0	0
				£116	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				5	0	0
Amount required, ...				£111	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £7,900.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£57	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £7,550.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{90}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	55	0	0			
				112	0	0

(Same as last year.)

STEPPS SPECIAL SCAVENGING DISTRICT.

Expenditure.

Cost of Sweeping and Cleansing Streets, &c., ...	£108	0	0		
Salary of Clerk to Sub-Committee, ...	8	0	0		
Printing, Postages, Stationery, and Incidents, ...	5	0	0		
Miscellaneous, ...	3	0	0		
				£124	0	0
Expenses of Assessment and Collection, ...				2	0	0
				£126	0	0

Receipts.

Balance in Bank at 15th May, 1913, ...				30	0	0
Amount required, ...				£96	0	0
Owners Estimated Valuation of District, £10,300.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	£54	0	0			
Occupiers Estimated Valuation of District, £9,950.						
An Assessment thereon at $1\frac{30}{120}$d. per £ will yield ...	52	0	0			
				106	0	0

(Same as last year.)

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED RATES.

To ascertain and compare the amount of the Consolidated Rate on a property in any of the undermentioned Districts, it is to be kept in mind that the "County," "Road," and the "Public Health" Rates are, except as regards Burghs, common to the whole District, and that if the property is within a Special District or the Middle Ward Water District the rate or rates thereof fall to be added.

UPPER WARD DISTRICT.

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.	1913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates, ...	1s. $0\frac{11}{120}$d.	$11\frac{77}{120}$d.	$\frac{54}{120}$d.	—	$10\frac{34}{120}$d.	$9\frac{100}{120}$d.	$\frac{54}{120}$d.	—
Do. County Rates (Burgh of Biggar),	$3\frac{98}{120}$d.	$3\frac{59}{120}$d.	$\frac{39}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{1}{120}$d.	$1\frac{82}{120}$d.	$\frac{39}{120}$d.	—
Blackwood Special Water District, ...	$9\frac{30}{120}$d.	9d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$9\frac{30}{120}$d.	9d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Braidwood do. do., ...	6d.	6d.	—	—	6d.	6d.	—	—
Carluke do. do., ...	3d.	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	3d.	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Drainage District,	1d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	1d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Lighting do.,	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Scavenging do.,	$\frac{105}{120}$d.	$\frac{105}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{105}{120}$d.	$\frac{105}{120}$d.	—	—
Carnwath Special Water District, ...	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$8\frac{30}{120}$d.	$8\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$8\frac{30}{120}$d.	$8\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Crawford do. Water do., ...	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	$3\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Crosslaw do. Drainage do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	1d.	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Douglas do. Water do., ...	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Scavenging District, ...	$2\frac{105}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{105}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	—
Forth Special Water District, ...	1/4	1/2	2d.	—	1/4	1/2	2d.	—
Kirkfieldbank Special Water District, ...	7d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	7d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Law do. do. do., ...	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	1d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	1d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Leadhills Special Scavenging do., ...	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Lesmahagow Special Water do., ...	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{90}{120}$d.
Roberton do. Water do., ...	1s. 1d.	1s. 3d.	—	2d.	1s. 1d.	1s. 3d.	—	2d.
Symington do. do. do., ...	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	$7\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Thankerton do. do. do., ...	6d.	7d.	—	1d.	6d.	7d.	—	1d.
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—

MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT.

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.	1913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates (Parishes of Avondale, Blantyre, Bothwell H, Cambuslang, Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Dalziel, East Kilbride, Glasford, Hamilton, and Stonehouse), ...	1s. $1\frac{2}{120}$d.	1s. $0\frac{65}{120}$d.	$\frac{57}{120}$d.	—	$10\frac{113}{120}$d.	$10\frac{56}{120}$d.	$\frac{57}{120}$d.	—
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates (Parish of Shotts H), ...	1s. $0\frac{119}{120}$d.	1s. $0\frac{65}{120}$d.	$\frac{54}{120}$d.	—	$10\frac{110}{120}$d.	$10\frac{56}{120}$d.	$\frac{54}{120}$d.	—
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates (Parishes of Bothwell A, New Monkland, Old Monkland, and Shotts A), ...	1s. $1\frac{70}{120}$d.	1s. $0\frac{117}{120}$d.	$\frac{73}{120}$d.	—	$10\frac{118}{120}$d.	$10\frac{45}{120}$d.	$\frac{73}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. (Burgh of Motherwell),	$4\frac{56}{120}$d.	$4\frac{42}{120}$d.	$\frac{14}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{104}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{14}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. (Burgh of Wishaw),	$2\frac{6}{120}$d.	$1\frac{102}{120}$d.	$\frac{24}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{63}{120}$d.	$1\frac{39}{120}$d.	$\frac{24}{120}$d.	—
Middle Ward Water District—Public Rate,	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Domestic Rate,	6d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	6d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District, ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Baillieston Special Drainage District, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	3d.	3d.	—	—	3d.	3d.	—	—
Bellshill Special Drainage District, ...	3d.	3d.	—	—	3d.	3d.	—	—
Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District, ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—

MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT—*Continued.*

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.	913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.
Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District,	4d.	4d.	—	—	4d.	4d.	—	—
Do. do. Electric Lighting Order,	$\frac{100}{120}$d.	$\frac{100}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{100}{120}$d.	$\frac{100}{120}$d.	—	—
Blantyre Special Drainage District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	3d.	3d.	—	—	3d.	3d.	—	—
Do. Electric Lighting Order, ...	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Bothwell Special Drainage do., ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do.. ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. Electric Lighting Order, ...	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Bothwell Park Special Lighting District,	3d.	$3\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	3d.	$3\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Busby Special Drainage District, ...	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	$5\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Calderbank Special Lighting District, ...	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Cambuslang do. Drainage do., ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Do. Electric Lighting Order, ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Carfin and Cleekhimin Special Drainage District, ...	4d.	4d.	—	—	4d.	4d.	—	—
Carmyle Special Lighting District, ...	1d.	1d.	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Carmyle and Mount Vernon Special Scavenging District, ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Chapelhall Special Drainage District, ...	7d.	6d.	1d.	—	7d.	6d.	1d.	—
Cleland and Omoa do. do., ...	$6\frac{75}{120}$d.	$6\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—	$6\frac{75}{120}$d.	$6\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Special Lighting District,	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Dalzell and Netherton Special Drainage District,	3d.	4d.	—	1d.	3d.	4d.	—	1d.
Do. Lighting do.,	1d.	1d	—	—	1d.	1d.	—	—
Do. Scavenging do.,	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	1d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
East Kilbride Special Drainage District,	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	6d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	6d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Lighting do.,	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—
Gartlea Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Do. Scavenging do., ...	2d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	2d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Glengowan and Caldercruix Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Hamilton Road Special Drainage District,	1d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	1d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Scavenging do.,	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Holytown Special Drainage District, ...	2d	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District, ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Scavenging District, ...	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$4\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—
Larkhall Special Drainage District, ...	$2\frac{75}{120}$d.	$2\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{75}{120}$d.	$2\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	—
Mount Vernon Special Drainage District,	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
New Stevenston do. do. do.,	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Newarthill Special Lighting District, ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Newmains Special Drainage District, ..	2d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	2d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	—
Newton and Flemington Special Drainage District, ...	3d.	3d.	—	—	3d.	3d.	—	—
North Mount Vernon Special Lighting District, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Salsburgh Special Scavenging District, ...	3d.	3d.	—	—	3d.	3d.	—	—
Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District, ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	— First assessment.			$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	— First assessment.		
Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District, ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	2d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Stonehouse Special Drainage District, ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do.. ...	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	1d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Strathaven do. Drainage do., ...	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	6d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	6d.	—	$\frac{6}{120}$d.
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Do. do. Scavenging do.. ...	1d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	1d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Uddingston do. Drainage do.. ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	1d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	1d.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. Electric Lighting Order, ...	$\frac{80}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{20}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{80}{120}$d.	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{20}{120}$d.	—

LOWER WARD DISTRICT.

	OWNERS.				OCCUPIERS.			
	1913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.	1913-1914.	1912-1913.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cumulo of County, Road, and Public Health Rates (Parishes of Cadder, Carmunnock, and Rutherglen), ...	$10\frac{48}{120}$d.	$10\frac{8}{120}$d.	$\frac{40}{120}$d.	—	$7\frac{51}{120}$d.	$7\frac{11}{120}$d.	$\frac{40}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. (Parish of Glasgow), ...	$10\frac{64}{120}$d.	$10\frac{35}{120}$d.	$\frac{29}{120}$d.	—	$7\frac{78}{120}$d.	$7\frac{49}{120}$d.	$\frac{29}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. (Parish of Govan, Landward),	$9\frac{54}{120}$d.	$10\frac{28}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{94}{120}$d.	$6\frac{68}{120}$d.	$7\frac{31}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{83}{120}$d.
Barony Special Drainage District, ...	$\frac{94}{120}$d.	$1\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{71}{120}$d.	$\frac{94}{120}$d.	$1\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{71}{120}$d.
Do., (Purification Works—South),	$1\frac{50}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{10}{120}$d.	$1\frac{50}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{10}{120}$d.
Do., Glasgow Sewage Purification Area, ...	$2\frac{104}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{104}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{104}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{104}{120}$d.	—
Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District, ...	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Drainage District, ...	$6\frac{30}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$6\frac{30}{120}$d.	$5\frac{60}{120}$d.	$\frac{90}{120}$d.	—
Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Scavenging District, ...	2d.	$2\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	2d.	$2\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{15}{120}$d.
Carmunnock Special Drainage District,...	7d.	5d.	2d.	—	7d.	5d.	2d.	—
Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District, ...	7d.	6d.	1d.	—	7d.	6d.	1d.	—
Do. do. Lighting District, ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	2d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Scavenging District,	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	$1\frac{75}{120}$d.	—	—
Glasgow Sewage Purification Area—Rutherglen...	2d.	2d.	—	—	2d.	2d.	—	—
Lambhill Special Lighting District, ...	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Middle Ward Water District—Public Rate,	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Domestic Rate,	6d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	6d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Millerston and Stepps Special Lighting District,	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{15}{120}$d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$2\frac{15}{120}$d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—
North Cadder Special Water District, ...	$6\frac{30}{120}$d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$6\frac{30}{120}$d.	$6\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
North Shettleston Special Lighting District, ...	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
North Shettleston Special Scavenging District, ...	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$3\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	$3\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{60}{120}$d.
Rutherglen Special Drainage District, ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	$\frac{30}{120}$d.
Rutherglen Special Lighting District, ...	2d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	2d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Rutherglen Special Scavenging District.	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{15}{120}$d.	1d.	$\frac{15}{120}$d.	—
Shettleston Electric Lighting Order, ...	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	—	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	—
South Cadder Special Water District, ...	5d.	5d.	—	—	5d.	5d.	—	—
South Lenzie Special Water District, ...	6d.	6d.	—	—	6d.	6d.	—	—
Do. do. Drainage do., ...	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	$2\frac{60}{120}$d.	—	—
Do. do. Lighting do., ...	$2\frac{75}{120}$d.	$2\frac{330}{120}$d.	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	—	$2\frac{75}{120}$d.	$2\frac{30}{120}$d.	$\frac{45}{120}$d.	—
Do. do. Scavenging do., ...	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	$1\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	—
Stepps Special Drainage District, ...	$4\frac{30}{120}$d.	4d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	$4\frac{30}{120}$d.	4d.	$\frac{30}{120}$d.	—
Do. Scavenging District, ...	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	$1\frac{30}{120}$d.	—	—

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

OF

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

9th October, 1913.

(WITH LOCAL ANNUAL BUDGET ANNEXED.)

THOMAS MUNRO,
County Clerk and Treasurer,
Hamilton.

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SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
112	April 3	Lanark County Council,	Chapelhall, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
115	„ 5	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
116	„ 5	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
117	„ 5	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
118	„ 5	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
119	„ 5	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
120	„ 5	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
121	„ 5	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
122	„ 9	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
123	„ 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
124	„ 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
125	„ 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
126	„ 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 15 per cent.
127	„ 14	Do.,	East Kilbride,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
130	„ 15	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 6 per cent.
131	„ 15	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
132	„ 15	Do.,	High Blantyre,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
133	„ 15	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
134	„ 15	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
135	„ 15	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
136	„ 15	Do.,	Do., ...	Self-raising Flour, ...	Do.,	... ...
137	„ 15	Do.,	Do., ..	Raspberry Jam, ...	Do.,	... ...
143	„ 19	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do ,	... ...
144	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
145	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
146	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
147	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
148	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1899.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 30th JUNE, 1913.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
150	April 24	Lanark County Council,	Chapelton, ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Genuine,	... ...
155	„ 25	Do.,	Shotts, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	.. ..
156	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
157	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
159	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Self-raising Flour,	Do..	... ...
160	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
161	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Gregory's Mixture, ...	...	Contained 53·5 per cent. of Hydrated Carbonate of Magnesia.
162	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Raspberry Jam, ...	Genuine,	... ...
165	May 1	Do.,	High Blantyre,	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
167	„ 1	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
168	„ 1	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... .
169	„ 1	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
172	„ 14	Do.,	Baillieston, ...	Dripping, ...	Do.,	... ...
173	„ 14	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
184	„ 16	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Demerara Sugar, ...	Do.,	... ...
185	„ 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
186	„ 16	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
187	„ 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
188	„ 16	Do.,	Mossend, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
189	„ 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
190	„ 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 13 per cent.
191	„ 16	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
192	„ 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
193	„ 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Self-raising Flour, ...	Do.,	... ...
194	„ 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
198	„ 21	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Gooseberry and Raspberry Jam,	Do,,	... ...
199	„ 21	Do.	Do., ...	Golden Syrup, ...	Do.,	... ...
200	„ 21	Do.,	Holytown, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
201	„ 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Self-raising Flour, ...	Do.,	... ...
203	„ 21	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
204	„ 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
206	„ 30	Do.,	Baillieston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
207	„ 30	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
210	June 3	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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211	June 3	Lanark County Council,	Easterhouse, ...	Marrow Fat, ...	Genuine,	... ...
212	,, 3	Do.,	West Maryston,	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
215	,, 7	Do.,	Uddingston, ...	Black Currant Jam,	Do.,	... ...
216	,, 7	Do.,	Tannochside,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
217	,, 7	Do.,	Thorniewood,	Rendered Suet, ...	Do.,	... ...
218	,, 7	Do.,	Aitkenhead, ...	Dripping, ...	Do.,	... ...
219	,, 7	Do.,	Douglas, ...	Raspberry Jam, ...	Do.,	... ...
226	,, 13	Do.,	New Stevenston,	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
227	,, 13	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
228	,, 13	Do.,	Mossend, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
230	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
238	,, 25	Do.,	Lambhill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
240	,, 27	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Gregory's Mixture, ...	Do.,	... ...
241	,, 27	Do.,	Do.,	Beef Suet, ...	Do.,	... ...
242	,, 27	Do.,	Carfin, ..	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
243	,, 27	Do.,	Newarthill, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 7 per cent. ...
244	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
245	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
246	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
247	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
248	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Dripping, ...	Do ,	... ...
249	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 84
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 5

11th July, 1913.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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30th July, 1913.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5 Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
111	April 3	Self-raising Flour,	Genuine.	... ...	£0 10 0	
113	„ 3	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
114	„ 3	Do., ...	...	Contained 95 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from milk.	0 10 0	
128	„ 14	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
129	„ 14	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
149	„ 19	Butter,... ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
158	„ 25	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 35 per cent., and in Milk Solids other than fat 5 per cent.	0 10 0	
166	May 1	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 5 per cent.	0 10 0	
170	„ 1	Flour, ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
202	„ 21	Fluid Magnesia,	Do.,	... .	0 10 0	
205	„ 21	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
208	„ 30	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
209	„ 30	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
213	June 3	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
214	„ 3	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
220	„ 7	Pure Olive Oil,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
221	„ 7	Dripping, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
239	„ 25	Butter,... ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	

11th July, 1913.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

30th July, 1913.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

COUNTY ANALYST

FOR

QUARTER Ending 30th JUNE, 1913,

TO BE SUBMITTED, IN TERMS OF THE

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS,

TO THE

STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 1913.

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COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries by the Official

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Name and Address of Seller (if known).	Name and Address of Person submitting Sample.
Superphosphate, ...	24th April,	Not known,	Chas. M'Ara, Official Sampler for the County,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Basic Slag, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Nitrate of Soda, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphates, ...	7th May,	Do.,	Do.,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Basic Slag, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Sulphate of Ammonia.	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Kainit, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Turnip Manure, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Nitrate of Soda, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potash Salts, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 30th June, 1913.

REMARKS.

All the Samples were Formal and without exception were satisfactory.

Total Number of Samples—Satisfactory, 14, Unsatisfactory, 0.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK.

Date, 11th July 1913.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

DISTRICT ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1913,

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 1913.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1913.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

VALUATION COMMITTEE.

At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Thursday, 8th May, 1913, being a Joint-Meeting of the Valuation Committees of the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards of the County of Lanark. 8th May, 1913.

Present—

Of the Committee of the Upper Ward.

J. P. Baird.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart, M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Andrew Murdoch.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Alexander Pillans.

Of the Committee of the Middle Ward.

William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Of the Committee of the Lower Ward.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
D. Kinloch Michie.
William Speirs.

Chairmen of committees.

The members of the committee present—each only acting and voting in his committee—having proceeded to appoint a chairman of their committee, the following were appointed, viz. :—

For the Upper Ward—Mr. James C. Hope Vere.
For the Middle Ward—Colonel Buchanan.
For the Lower Ward—Mr. James Anderson.

Dates of Appeal Courts.

The following dates and places were fixed for hearing and disposing of appeals and complaints against the valuation of the Assessors for the year 1913-14, viz. :—

For the Upper Ward—At Lanark, and within the County Hall, on Monday, 15th September, at 12 o'clock noon ;

For the Middle Ward—At Hamilton, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings, on Tuesday, 16th September, at 10 o'clock, and on Thursday, 18th September, at 10 o'clock a.m.

For the Lower Ward—At Glasgow, and within the Sheriffs' Appeal Court Room, 40 Wilson Street, on Friday, 19th September, at 12 o'clock noon.

15th September, 1913. At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, on Monday, the 15th day of September, 1913, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Upper Ward of the County of Lanark.

Present—

Upper Ward.

J. P. Baird.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Walter Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart.
Colonel Logan.
Andrew Murdoch.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman. Mr. J. C. Hope Vere, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice. The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting as given in the *Scotsman, Glasgow Herald, Daily Record and Mail, Lanarkshire,* and *Hamilton Advertiser* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice convening the meeting.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was intimated from Sir Nathaniel Dunlop.

Appeals. The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Upper Ward of the County for the current year were laid upon the table, and the same having been taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are set forth in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

At the hearing of appeals at the instance of Mr. J. C. Hope Vere against the valuation of certain farms belonging to him, Mr. Hope Vere retired from the Court temporarily, and in his absence the chair was taken by Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart.

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

Valuation Roll. The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto.

16th September, 1913. At HAMILTON, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings, there, on Tuesday, the 16th day of September, 1913, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee of the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark.

Present—

Middle Ward.

Colonel A. L. H. Buchanan.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
John M. Loudon.
John Loudon.
William Love.
George Stalker.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Chairman. Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was intimated from Col. King Stewart.

16th September, 1913.

The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting as given in the *Scotsman, Glasgow Herald, Daily Record and Mail, Lanarkshire*, and *Hamilton Advertiser* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice convening the meeting. *Notice.*

The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Parishes of Blantyre, Bothwell, Cambuslang, Dalziel, East Kilbride, New Monkland, Old Monkland, and Shotts, in the Middle Ward of the County, were laid upon the table, and the same having been taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto. *Appeals.*

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

The appellants or their agents in the following appeals declared themselves dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, and craved that in each appeal a case should be stated specially and signed for submission to the Lands Valuation Judges, viz.:— *Stated cases.*

PARISH OF BLANTYRE.

Minerals, Blantyreferme and Birkenshaw—Proprietors, A. G. Moore & Co., £801 12s. (reduced by committee to £572 11s.).

PARISH OF BOTHWELL.

Minerals, Meadowbank—Proprietors, A. G. Moore & Co., £285 10s. (reduced by committee to £203 19s.).

Slag heaps, Carnbroe—Proprietors, Merry & Cuninghame, Ltd., £326 (appeal dismissed).

Do. do., Tenants, Hugh Symington & Sons, £326 (appeal dismissed).

United Collieries, Ltd., as proprietors of the following houses :—

Bothwell Parish—Old Row, Tannochside,	...	...	£279	17	0
,, ,, Donaldson Place,	...	...	626	1	0
Dalziel ,, United Buildings, Wishaw,	...	...	148	16	0
,, ,, ,, ,,	...	...	334	16	0
Shotts ,, Hattonridge, Shotts,	...	...	90	10	0

(Appeals dismissed by committee).

The Glasgow Iron and Steel Coy., Ltd., as proprietors of the following houses :—

Burgh of Wishaw—Manse Road,	...	...	38	16	0
,, ,, Dean Place,	...	...	36	18	0
,, ,, Double Furnace Row,	...	...	332	13	0
,, ,, Single Furnace Row,	...	...	114	16	0
,, ,, Academy Place and ,, ,, Academy Street,	...	...	201	14	0
,, ,, Academy Street,	...	...	380	0	0
,, ,, Shieldmuir Pit,	...	...	8	18	0
Cambusnethan Parish—Netherton Colliery,	...	...	12	16	0

(Appeals dismissed by committee.)

PARISH OF EAST KILBRIDE.

House, Craigward, Busby—Proprietors, Trustees of late Mrs. Woodrow, per Dunlop, M'Quiston, & Gibson, £55 (appeal dismissed).

18th September, 1913. At HAMILTON, and within the Sheriff Court Buildings, there, upon Thursday, the 18th day of September, 1913, being an Adjourned Meeting of the Valuation Committee for the Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark.

Middle Ward.

Present—

William L. Dyer. | Robert Sharp.
Robert Lambie. | George Stalker.
William Love. | William Sym.
William Templeton.

Chairman. In the absence of Colonel Buchanan, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Lambie was appointed chairman.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was also intimated from Col. King Stewart.

Notice. The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting as given in the *Scotsman, Glasgow Herald, Daily Record and Mail, Lanarkshire,* and *Hamilton Advertiser* newspapers, and also a copy of the notice convening the meeting.

Appeals. The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Parishes of Avondale, Cambusnethan, Dalserf, Glasford, Hamilton, and Stonehouse in the Middle Ward District, having been laid on the table, were taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave their decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

Valuation Roll. The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto.

19th September, 1913. At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Appeal Court Room, 40 Wilson Street, there, upon Friday, the 19th day of September, 1913, being a Meeting of the Valuation Committee for the Lower Ward District of the County of Lanark.

Lower Ward.

Present—

John Adam. | J. Raeside Auld.
William Davie.

Chairman. In the absence of Mr. Anderson, chairman of the committee, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Adam was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice. The Clerk produced and read the public notice of the meeting as given in the "Scotsman," "Glasgow Herald," "Daily Record and Mail," "Lanarkshire," and "Hamilton Advertiser" newspapers, and also a copy of the notice convening the meeting.

The several appeals against the valuations of lands and heritages in the Lower Ward of the County were laid upon the table, and the same having been taken in order and called, and the appellants or their agents having been heard, so far as appearances were made, the committee gave decisions therein, as the same are detailed in the list of appeals, which is signed by the chairman as relative hereto. *Appeals.*

In cases where no appearances were made the appeals were dismissed.

Consideration of an appeal by the Carron Company against the form of an entry in the Valuation Roll, relating to houses owned by them in the Parish of Cadder, and occupied by workmen in their employment, was, after the appellant's agents had been heard in support of the appeal, and the Assessor had been heard in reply, adjourned to a meeting of the committee to be held on a date to be subsequently intimated. *Appeal by Carron Company continued.*

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Appeal Court Room, 40 Wilson Street, there, upon Tuesday, the 30th day of September, 1913, being an Adjourned Meeting of the Valuation Committee for the Lower Ward District of the County of Lanark. 30th September, 1913.

Present—

JOHN ADAM. | D. KINLOCH MICHIE.
JAMES ANDERSON. | WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Lower Ward.

Mr. Adam in the chair. *Chairman.*

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr Davie. *Apology for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The committee, having resumed consideration of the appeal by the Carron Company which was continued from last meeting, resolved by a majority to dismiss the first objection taken to the entry in the Valuation Roll, but to sustain the second objection. A copy of the committee's opinion on this appeal is appended to this minute. *Appeal by Carron Company.*

The agent for the appellants declared himself dissatisfied with the decision of the committee, and craved that a case should be stated specially and signed for submission to the Lands Valuation Judges. *Stated case craved.*

The meeting granted authority to the County Clerk, in terms of Section 12 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, to authenticate the Valuation Roll for the current year by adhibiting his signature thereto. *Valuation Roll.*

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

VALUATION OF LANDS (SCOTLAND) ACTS.

OPINION OF LOWER WARD VALUATION APPEAL COMMITTEE IN APPEAL BY CARRON COMPANY.

This is an appeal by the Carron Company, as owners of certain houses in the Parish of Cadder and County of Lanark, against a number of entries in the Valuation Roll of that Parish, of which the following is a specimen:—

No.	Description and Situation of Subject.			Proprietor.	Tenant.	Occupier.
	Description.	No.	Situation.			
70	House	100	Jellyhill Row	Carron Company, per J. C. Brodie & Son, W. S., 5 Thistle Street, Edinburgh		Proprietors

Inhabitant Occupier, not Rated.		Feu Duty or Ground Annual.	Yearly Rent or Value.
(48 Vic., cap. 3, secs. 3 & 9).	Annual Value of Dwelling-House (Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889).		
George Malcolm, Roadsman	£4 13s.		

The question raised in the appeal is an important one, and is not free from difficulty. The views contended for by the Appellants were ably stated to the committee, and they have given the matter their very careful consideration, in view of the nature of the issues involved.

The Appellants stated two objections to the entry:—

In the first place, they contended that the ordinary occupier's column should be left blank, or at all events that their names should not appear therein as occupiers; and

In the second place, they submitted that each individual dwelling-house should be entered separately in the Roll, and that in the ordinary "Yearly Rent or Value" column a sum should be filled in as the rent of each individual house.

The following are the facts:—

The Carron Company are the owners of the houses in question, which are let by them to miners or other workmen employed in the Company's service.

On taking a house, a workman is required to sign an agreement, of which the following is a copy:—

"Every miner or other workman entering the service of Carron Company or engaged in employment at these works, who is, or shall be, in the occupation or possession of any house or garden, or both, of which Carron Company are proprietors or lessees, shall be held to have agreed to the following conditions, viz.:—

"(1) That he shall hold said house or garden, or both, only from week to week during the time he continues in said service or employment, counting from the first pay-day after his entering the said service or employment.

"(2) That the occupancy of said house or garden, or both, shall be terminable by either employer or employee upon one week's notice.

"(3) That upon the expiry of the period of said notice, or in the option of Carron Company, in the event of such miner or workman contravening any of the rules and regulations posted up at these works, or upon his ceasing to work at these works, or to be in the service or employment of said Company, or being dismissed therefrom, he shall be held bound to remove from said house or garden, or both, and to have authorised summary ejection, at Carron Company's instance, therefrom.

"(4) That such miner or workman shall be held liable to pay all damages which may be done to said house during his occupancy thereof, and the amount of such damage shall be chargeable against him, and be paid by him before leaving the Company's employment.

"(5) That such miner or workman shall use said house only for the accommodation of his own family, and shall not take in thereto any lodger or lodgers without the special consent, in writing, of Carron Company, or their representative at these works; and he is also hereby specially prohibited from keeping on said premises dogs, swine, or poultry, without permission, in writing, of Carron Company, or their representative.

"In terms of Truck Acts, 1831 to 1896: We, the undersigned, hereby authorise you to deduct from the wages to be earned by us, while in your employment, the amount of our house rent as weekly tenants (should we occupy, in connection with said employment, any house of which you are the owner or lessee), the sums to be paid by you on our behalf for medicine, medical attendance, and infirmaries; and the price of any fuel, materials, tools, or implements supplied to us. We acknowledge that it does not form part of the conditions of hiring that you should sharpen or repair our tools; but if we should think fit to have them sharpened or repaired by you, we likewise authorise you to deduct the charges therefor from our wages.

"

Date.	Name.	Designation.	House occupied (if any).	Witnesses.

"

A miner or workman is not bound, as a condition of his service, to occupy a house belonging to the Company, but may, if he think fit, provide himself with a house elsewhere. All the houses embraced in the entries objected to are occupied by miners or workmen in the employment of the Company, at their works or mines, which are situate at some little distance from the houses.

With regard to the first objection, the Appellants contended that, if the workmen were inhabitant occupiers, the Company were obviously not *de facto* occupiers of the houses, and that no provision could be found in the Valuation Acts authorising the Assessor, in these circumstances, to enter the proprietors in the occupiers' column. While the Appellants had no interest to object, and did not object to the entry of the miners or workmen as inhabitant occupiers, they submitted that the Assessor was not justified in so entering the workmen or miners, on the ground that, on a fair construction of the agreement for tenancy, the workmen or miners could not be held to occupy the houses "by virtue of any office, service, or employment" within the meaning of Section 9, Sub-section 5, of the Representation of the People Act, 1884. In support of this argument, the Appellants contended that the workmen do not require to occupy the houses as a condition of employment, although the period of let was admittedly commensurate with the term of employment; that the consideration for the occupancy of the house was a payment in cash, and not the exercise of any office, service, or employment, and that the employment was not connected with the occupation of the house, but was exercised elsewhere at the mines or works of the Company which do not adjoin the houses.

It seems to the committee that, if the Appellants are prepared to admit, as they do, that their miners and workmen are properly entered by the Assessor in the inhabitant occupier's column, that admission is fatal to their case so far as the first objection is concerned. The phrase "Inhabitant Occupier" occurs for the first time in Section 3, Sub-section 1, of the Representation of the People (Scotland) Act, 1868, where the franchise is conferred on every man who has, *inter alia*, been for a prescribed period an "inhabitant occupier as owner or tenant of any dwelling-house." Section 3 of the Representation of the People Act of 1884 provides—"Where a person himself "inhabits any dwelling-house by virtue of any office service or employment "and the dwelling-house is not inhabited by any person under whom such "man serves in such office service or employment he shall be deemed for the "purposes of this Act and of the Representation of the People Act to be an "inhabitant occupier of such dwelling-house as a tenant."

Section 9 (2) of the Act of 1884 provides that the Assessor must inquire or ascertain, with respect to every dwelling-house, whether any man other than the owner or other person rated or liable in respect of such dwelling-house is entitled to be registered as a voter in respect of his being an inhabitant occupier of any such dwelling-house, and enter on the Valuation Roll the name of every man so entitled, and the situation or description of the dwelling-house in respect of which he is entitled, and for the purposes of such entry a separate column shall be added to the Rate Book (in Scotland the Valuation Roll).

Under Sub-section 5 of the same section, where a man is entered on the Valuation Roll by virtue of any office, service, or employment, there shall not be entered in the Valuation Roll any rent or value against the name of such man as applicable to such dwelling-house, nor shall any man, by reason of such entry, become liable to be rated in respect of such dwelling-house.

The provisions of Section 9 (5) of the Act of 1884 are modified by Section 29 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which enacts that, notwithstanding the terms of Section 9 (5), there shall be entered, in such column and under such heading as the Deputy Clerk Register may approve, in the Valuation Roll in each County, in the manner and subject to the provisions of the Valuation Acts, the annual value of every

dwelling-house, the situation or description of which is entered in the said Roll, under the provisions of Section 9, Sub-section 2, of the Representation of the People Act, 1884. No person shall be liable to be rated in respect of such entry, but the person rated in respect of the occupancy of the lands and heritages which include such dwelling-house shall be entitled to relief against the person (in this Act referred to as a "service franchise occupier") occupying the same under him, by virtue of any office, service, or employment, in respect of so much of the occupier's consolidated rate paid by him as is applicable to the amount entered in the Valuation Roll, under the provisions of this Act, as the annual value of such dwelling-house.

It will be observed that what the Act of 1884 does is not to set up a separate class of inhabitant occupier, whose existence would preclude the existence of another man who might be called the occupier or tenant, but to enact that a man having certain qualifications is, for the purpose of voting, to be held to be in the same position as if he were an inhabitant occupier as a tenant. If this were not clear from the provisions of the Act of 1884, Section 29 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, seems to remove any doubt upon the matter, as it gives the person rated in respect of the occupancy a right of relief against the inhabitant occupier, whom, to prevent confusion, it more properly describes as a "service franchise occupier," thus obviously contemplating that someone other than the inhabitant occupier must appear in the Roll as occupier. The committee take the view that the only persons who could appear in the Roll here as occupiers are the Appellants. The inhabitant occupier could not be entered in the Roll both as such and as occupier. The two positions are quite inconsistent. The only alternative to entering the proprietor's name in the occupier's column would be to leave the column blank. This seems to be incompetent, as, under Section 1 of the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 1854, the Assessor must enter the names and designations of occupiers.

This difficulty was recognised by the Appellants, who, however, argued that, although no entry appeared in the occupier's column, no prejudice would thereby result, as the proprietors would themselves be liable for the occupier's taxes. Their argument on this point appears to be as follows:—

Under Sub-section 2 of the Act of 1854 the obligation to insert in the Roll the names of tenants or occupiers was limited by the following proviso:— "Provided always that it shall be in the power of such Commissioners or "Magistrates if they think fit not to insert in any Valuation Roll under this "Act the names or designations of the tenants or occupiers of any lands and "heritages separately let for a shorter period than one year or at a rent not "amounting to £4 per annum."

It was enacted, by Section 31 of the Act of 1854, "in all cases where "any lands or heritages shall be separately let at a rent not amounting to "£4 per annum and the names of the occupiers thereof shall not have been "inserted in the Valuation Roll the proprietors of such lands and heritages "shall be charged with and have to pay the whole of the assessments on such "lands and heritages separately let as aforesaid, but every proprietor charged "with and paying such assessment shall have relief against the tenants and "occupiers of such lands and heritages for reimbursement thereof if and "in so far as such assessments may by law be properly chargeable upon such "tenants or occupiers."

The right to omit from the Roll the names and designations of tenants or occupiers of lands let separately for less than one year, or at a rent not amounting to £4, was, to a limited extent, encroached upon by Section 15 of

the Representation of the People Act, 1868, which, in view of the provisions contained in it extending the franchise, enacted that the Assessor should be bound to specify separately each dwelling-house and the names and designations of the occupiers. "Dwelling-house," however, was defined as including any part of a house occupied as a separate dwelling (in any parish in which poor rates are levied), the occupier of which is separately rated to the relief of the poor, either in respect thereof or as an inhabitant of such parish. This definition seems to have the effect of rendering it unnecessary to enter in the Roll dwelling-houses under £4 of rental.

The introduction, in 1884, of a uniform household franchise, irrespective of the amount of rent, rendered it necessary to repeal the proviso in Section 2 of the Act of 1854, as well as Section 15 of the Act of 1868, and this was done by Section 9 (6) of the Act of 1884, subject to the following proviso:— "Provided that in any County in Scotland the Commissioners of Supply or "the Parochial Board of any parish or any other rating authority entitled "to impose assessments according to the Valuation Roll may if they think "fit levy such assessments in respect of lands and heritages separately let "for a shorter period than one year, or at a rent not amounting to £4 per "annum, in the same manner and from the same persons as if the names of "the tenants and occupiers of such lands and heritages were not inserted "in the Valuation Roll."

The intention of this proviso seems to be to save the rating authorities' right of recourse against the owners in the case of short lets, or lets of premises under £4 of rental, which was presumed to exist under Section 31 of the 1854 Act notwithstanding that the names of such tenants and occupiers must now enter the Roll.

The Appellants submit that, as their houses bear to be let from week to week, they are premises separately let for a shorter period than one year, and that, as a result of the statutory provisions referred to, they would be liable for the occupier's rates payable by the inhabitant occupiers, although these inhabitant occupiers' names could not be inserted in the occupier's column.

Even assuming that the effect, which the omission of any entries in the Valuation Roll might have on the right of the rating authorities to recover assessments, could be used as an argument in favour of the insertion or omission of an entry in the Roll, which, of course, it cannot, it seems to the Committee that the Appellants' argument falls to be disregarded. It is not clear, from the conditions of let, that the houses are premises separately let for less than a year. A fair reading of the conditions of tenancy seems to be that the period of let is to be regulated by the period of service of employment, although there are provisions for termination of tenancy by a week's notice on either side. Even, however, were it admitted that the houses were let for less than a year, the provisions of the statutes founded upon do not seem to have the effect which the Appellants suppose.

While Section 2 of the Act of 1854 deals with the cases of houses let for a shorter period than a year, and under £4 of rental, Section 31 of that Act only applies to houses let under £4. As regards houses let for a shorter period than one year, the Act of 1854 contains no provision whereby the owners could be made liable for the taxes of a tenant whose name does not appear on the Roll.

Section 9 (6) of the Act of 1884 proceeds on the assumption that a right of recourse existed against owners in the case of short lets under the Act of 1854,

but this did not exist. Section 9 (6) of the Act of 1884 can not be held as giving the rating authorities powers which Section 31 of the Act of 1854 failed to confer upon them.

An opinion in harmony with this view was expressed by Sheriff A. O. M. MacKenzie, in the case of *Hogg* v. *M'Crindle*, 1904, XX. Scot. Law Review, page 201, which was not referred to before the committee by either party. In that case the Parish Council of Bothwell had passed a resolution to assess the owners, instead of the occupiers, of houses let for less than a year, for the occupier's share of the Poor Rate, and raised an action against an owner who declined to pay. The Sheriff decided in favour of the defender, on the ground that Section 31 of the Act of 1854 only applied to houses under £4 of rental, and that there was nothing in Section 9 (6) of the 1884 Act extending the liability imposed on owners of houses under £4 of rental to the owners of houses let for less than a year.

In this case the houses are all over £4 of rental, so that were the argument valid as regards such houses it would have no bearing on the present circumstances.

The committee do not think that there is any force in the suggestion that the miners or workmen are improperly entered as inhabitant occupiers. It was frankly admitted, as, indeed, appears from the conditions of let, that the men were only allowed to remain in occupancy of the houses while they continued in the Appellants' service or employment, and it seems to the committee that, notwithstanding the other provisions of the conditions of let, the men's title to occupy the houses depends on their employment; that, accordingly, they do occupy the houses by virtue of their employment; and that the Assessor had no alternative but to enter their names in the "inhabitant occupier" column. It also seems to the committee immaterial that a payment is made for the houses in name of rent. In their opinion the result would have been the same if, instead of a payment being made by the men, the houses had been occupied rent free, but their value had been taken into account in fixing the rate of wages payable. The fact that the employment was exercised at a distance from the dwelling-house seems to be of no importance. The same condition exists connected with the employment of gamekeepers, and, indeed, all outdoor servants.

The Assessor referred to the case of *Beath Parish Council* against *Thomas Spowart & Co.*, 1902 (XVIII. S.L.R., p. 163), in which mine-owners were held liable for the occupier's rates upon houses reserved for the use of their workmen, who occupied them on a tenancy terminable with the employment. The mine-owners were, as in the present case, entered on the Roll as occupiers of the houses, the workmen being entered as inhabitant occupiers. The mine-owners did not dispute liability in respect of houses actually inhabited by their workmen, but claimed exemption as regards certain houses which were returned in the Roll as empty. The Sheriff Substitute, while holding that the fact of the owners being entered in the Valuation Roll as occupiers was sufficient to render them liable for occupiers' rates, went further, and held that the owners had constructive occupation, and that the possession by the workmen could not be differentiated from that of a coachman or ploughman occupying a house of his employers and receiving the right to occupy it as part of his wages, in which cases the owner occupied the houses by having them ready for his servants. The Sheriff-Principal, on appeal, adhered, but based his decision solely on the fact that the owners appeared in the Roll as occupiers, and that he could not go behind the terms of the Roll. While not of binding authority, the decision is of interest, and, so far as it goes, is in agreement with the opinion of the committee.

Wtih reference to the second objection, the committee think that the Appellants' view of the situation is the correct one.

The entries have no doubt been made in accordance with the practice which has hitherto prevailed in the County of Lanark and other counties, and no objection has so far been taken to that practice. In this case it falls to be pointed out that all the details which the Appellants desire entered in the ordinary column are to be found in the inhabitant occupier column, and the Assessors seem to have assumed that in such cases it was unnecessary to insert the entries also in the ordinary column.

The objection may, on the face, seem a technical one, but there is substance in it. The houses in question are situated within a special district, within which the provisions of the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1911, have been adopted. "Small dwelling-house" is defined in the Act as meaning a dwelling-house in a burgh or special district in which the Act is in operation "entered in the Valuation Roll at a yearly rent or value of," &c. Accordingly, if the values of a series of dwelling-houses were slumped in the "yearly rent or value column," instead of each house being separately entered in that column at an individual rent, the houses could not, though otherwise eligible, be treated as small dwelling-houses, as the Roll would not contain the information requisite to show that they were within the definition. The result, of course, would be that the owner would, if liable for the occupiers' rates, not be entitled to the commission allowed by the Act. In the present case the Appellants admitted that the motive underlying their appeal was the question of this commission, which, if they were entered as occupiers, they could not claim. It is therefore of interest to them to see that, apart from this consideration, the form of entry in the Roll is not such as to prevent their houses from falling within the Act. Apart from this specialty, however, the committee are of opinion that the objection is well founded and must be sustained.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 14th May, 1913, being a meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 14th May, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
James Cameron.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
William Neilson.
William Love.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Aexander R. Mitchell.
James Prentice.
William Speirs.
James Tonner.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minute of the last meeting of the committee, of date 9th April, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting, and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was submitted to the meeting a report by the County Medical Officer under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for the month of March (Appendix), a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Report by County Medical Officer for March.*

With reference to the pollution of the South Calder by effluent from the Stane and Kepplehill Collieries, the Clerk submitted and read a letter from the Under Secretary for Scotland, which was in the following terms :— *Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.—Letter from Under Secretary for Scotland.*

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W.,
"*28th April*, 1913.

"Sir,

"RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION.

"Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.

"With reference to your letter of the 18th ultimo, and previous correspondence on the subject of the above, I am directed to state for the information of your County Council that the Secretary for Scotland proposes to have further inspection made shortly at the above Collieries, in order that he may ascertain whether the

remedial measures proposed to be taken by the Kepplehill Coal Company have been completed, and are efficient. Meantime he defers a decision upon the County Council's request for consent to the initiation of legal proceedings against the Company.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "JOHN LAMB."

Clerk reports result of further inspection.

The Clerk reported that on a further inspection being made at the Collieries referred to by one of the County's Inspectors, it was found that the Colliery owners were now proceeding to provide additional means to prevent pollution, but he explained that what was really desiderated in this case was an Order of the Court which would place the County Council in a position to deal effectively with the Company in the event of failure to lay down satisfactory remedial works or efficiently to operate these works when completed.

Remit to Clerk.

The meeting agreed to remit to the Clerk to take such further action in the case as he may consider advisable.

Pollution of North Calder by Glengowan Print Works.

In regard to the pollution of the North Calder by Messrs. John Glen & Sons, arising from their Glengowan Print Works, Caldercruix, the Clerk reminded the meeting that when these works were visited by members of the Committee, in June, 1911, certain suggestions were then made with a view to improving the effluent. Nothing further, however, had been done since then in the way of providing additional measures, and he submitted and read a letter, dated 29th April, from Messrs. Glen & Sons, stating that no effort was being spared to do all that was possible to remedy matters.

Pollution of North Calder by Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills.

The Clerk reported regarding Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills, which had also in June, 1911, been visited by members of the Committee, and he stated that, while the proprietors of these works, Messrs. Robert Craig & Sons, had, by way of implementing the promise then given, carried out certain additional remedial measures, the position of matters was not yet satisfactory.

Remit to County Medical Officer to prepare Report regarding certain works.

After discussion, the meeting remitted to the County Medical Officer to prepare and submit to the Committee a further report relating to the measures provided for preventing pollution at the works in question, viz,:—

(1) Glengowan Print Works;
(2) Caldercruix Paper Mills;
(3) Moffat Paper Mills;

with a view to placing before the Committee a full statement of the present position of matters.

Pollution of River Clyde by New Lanark Mills.

There was submitted a report of an inspection of the River Clyde near New Lanark Mills, which showed that the river was being polluted by the deposit of household refuse, &c., and also a discharge of slop water from some of the houses there. The Clerk stated that he had addressed a communication to the Gourock Ropework Company—the owners of the mills—from whom he submitted a letter stating that the matter was engaging their attention, and that they proposed to adopt certain measures which they hoped would prevent further complaint.

Resignation of Dr. Daniel Stewart.

The Clerk submitted a letter, dated 6th current, from Dr. Daniel Stewart, temporary Assistant Medical Officer, intimating his resignation consequent upon his acceptance of an appointment as Tuberculosis Officer in the West Riding of Yorkshire.

The meeting authorised the County Medical Officer to make such temporary provision to carry on the work as he might consider necessary.

Staffing arrangements of Public Health Department.—Letters from Clerks to Upper and Lower Ward District Committees.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting on the subject of the staffing arrangements of the Public Health Department, the Clerk submitted letters from the Clerks to the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees intimating the names of the respective District Committees who had been appointed to confer with the County Sub-Committee in regard to the matter. The Clerk stated that he had not yet heard from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Appointment of Dr. Hume Patterson to procure samples under Food and Drugs Acts, and to take proceedin in Court, &c.

On the suggestion of the County Medical Officer, and with a view to relieving him to some extent of his duties under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, the meeting appointed and hereby appoint Dr. J. Hume Patterson, Assistant County Medical Officer, to be an Inspector under the said Acts, with full power to procure samples, cause analyses to be made, take proceedings for recovery of penalties, and generally to do everything necessary for the due execution of the said Acts.

Suggested revised scale of charges for work performed in Bacteriological Laboratory.

The County Medical Officer having submitted a suggested revised scale of charges for work performed in the Bacteriological Laboratory in connection with the examination of specimens received from school medical officers, burgh medical officers, and others, the meeting remitted to the Clerk and the County Medical Officer to adjust the scale.

Communication from Mr. Allan Barns Graham, Jr., enclosing leaflet on milk standard.

There was submitted a communication, dated 8th current, from Mr. Allan Barns Graham, Jun., enclosing a leaflet issued by him on the subject of the milk standard, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Food and Drugs Acts.—Result of Prosecution.

The Clerk reported the result of a prosecution under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts since the date of last meeting, as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
Thomas Wilson, dairyman, Sunnyside Farm, Larkhall,	Sweet milk—deficient in milk fat 12 per cent.	Pled guilty, and fined £2 or 8 days.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

MARCH, 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

160 inspections were made, 3 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
Shotts Iron Works, - -	March 6th and 31st	†Spent liquor overflow from sand pits.
Bardykes Colliery, - -	12th	*Field drain carrying overflow from settling area to stream.
Bellfield „ - -	20th	*Settling pond silted up. Bing effluent unsatisfactory.
Dalquhandy „ - -	20th	*Pollution observed in Coal Burn.
Dechmont „ - -	5th and 12th	*Settling pond defective. Remedied.
Fortrigg „ - -	31st	*Settling area defective, but under repair.
Kepplehill „ - -	27th and 31st	†Serious pollution still continues.
Stane „ - -	27th and 31st	†Serious pollution still continues.
Westwood „ - -	6th and 21st	†Serious pollution. Remedial measures still in progress.
Clyde Paper Mill, - -	13th	Caustic soda washing from floor of boiling house.

* Reported at Company's office. † Reported to County Clerk.

Trade Pollutions.

Shotts Iron Works.—The pollution affected the South Calder, and occurred at a series of sand pits into which spent liquor is conveyed intermittently. The sand pits are defective, and overflow into a drain leading to the river. Remedial measures are to be provided.

Clyde Paper Mill.—The discharge of caustic washing here enters the River Clyde. This pollution is intermittent. It appears that the washings from the caustic plant cannot be drained to the public sewer. This matter should be inquired into by the Lower Ward Engineers for Eastfield Drainage District.

Bardykes Colliery.—The pollution here was of a serious nature, affecting the Spittal Burn and the Rotten Calder, and was due to a field drain carrying an overflow from the settling area direct to the stream. Remedial measures were at once adopted.

Fortrigg Colliery.—The settling area here has been under repair for some time, but it is still defective, and admitting serious pollution to the River Almond. A special plant dealing with the coal washings is under consideration.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—Serious pollution has still to be reported as occurring at these Collieries. At Kepplehill Colliery a new settling pond has been under construction and will be brought into use shortly. Thereafter remedial measures are to be proceeded with at Stane Colliery.

Westwood Colliery.—Remedial measures have been proceeding here for some time, and are expected to be completed within two weeks. Meantime serious pollution occurs at intervals.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Inspections were made of the sewage works at Bonkle, Crindledykes Chapelhall, and Newton. At Chapelhall Works, samples were taken of effluent discharged direct from the septic tank previous to the sludge being cleaned out. Samples were also taken of the sludge for analysis.

Carnbroe and Calder.—Special inquiries and inspections were made regarding the disposal of sewage from these dwelling-houses.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions, twenty-nine streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

North Calder.—In connection with the disposal of ashes from Calderbank Steel Works, inspection was made, when satisfactory measures were found in operation for the disposal of the ashes from the gas producers and steam boilers. The ashes are removed from the works in railway wagons and tipped on land.

South Calder.—The sources of pollution on this stream are the subject of special attention at present. Remedial measures are now proceeding at the main sources of complaint.

Whinney Burn.—This Burn rises within the Burgh of Wishaw and flows towards the River Clyde, through the lands of Belhaven and Dalziel Estates. It also receives a small tributary, which passes mainly through the Burgh of Motherwell, and which is affected by trade discharges. These were inspected along with the burgh officials, and a report furnished thereanent. In the County Area, the Whinney Burn receives a discharge of iron water from Excelsior Iron Works, and is also liable to spent liquor pollution from the Glasgow Iron and Steel Company's Ammonia Works. Further inspection and sampling of the stream will be made shortly.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 54, and 44 samples, including 21 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these samples, 29 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 12 in the Chemical Laboratory; and 3 were not analysed, being informal samples of butter procured, by means of agent, from provision carts.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date purchased.	Locality where purchased.	Certified.
86	Sweet milk, -	19th Mar.	Dalserf.	9 per cent. deficient in milk fat.
87	Do., -	19th ,,	Larkhall.	12 per cent. deficient in milk fat.

The samples of green peas were certified to be free from adulteration by copper. The sample of self-raising flour was certified to contain 10 per cent. of calcium sulphate, which is within the limit laid down by Dr. Hamill in his report to the Local Government Board.

Of the informal samples of sweet milk, four were received privately from the same source. Three of these were certified to be not genuine, while the fourth, probably owing to complaint having been made, was certified to be genuine.

The informal samples of butter were procured by means of agent, in connection with complaints as to the sale of margarine for butter. All the samples analysed were certified to be genuine butter. Sampling will be continued.

Margarine Contravention—One offence, viz., want of margarine wrappers, was detected, but as the business was a small one, a verbal caution was given.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration:—

Case No. 32.—A sample of whisky certified to be deficient in proof spirit to the extent of 9·7 degrees. The case was heard before Sheriff Lee in Airdrie on 28th March, when the respondent pled guilty, and his Lordship imposed a penalty of £2.

Cases Nos. 41 *and* 42.—Two samples of sweet milk (morning and evening) obtained from the same consignment, certified to be deficient in milk solids other than fat to the extent of 11 per cent. and 6 per cent. respectively. The latter sample being also deficient in milk fat 22 per cent. The case came before Sheriff Shennan in Hamilton on 2nd April, when the respondent pled not guilty. Proof was led at considerable length, but as the defence failed to satisfactorily account for the deficiencies, the Sheriff convicted, and imposed a penalty of £5, the alternative being 30 days' imprisonment.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Acts.—Six inspections were made during the month, and 20 samples of fertilisers were procured formally as follows:—

At Strathaven Railway Station, at the request of the Avondale Farmers' Analytical Association, 11 samples, viz.:—Ground limestone, pure dissolved bones, 22 per cent. and 30 per cent. basic slag, 26 per cent. and 30 per cent. superphosphates, potash manure salts, kainit, nitrolim, bone meal, and sulphate of ammonia; at Lesmahagow Railway Station, at the request of the Lesmahagow Dairy Farmers' Association, 9 samples, viz.:—Potato manure, kainit, 26 per cent. and 30 per cent. superphosphates, sulphate of ammonia, basic slag, potash salts, grain manure and bone meal. All the samples were analysed by the Agricultural Analyst, and were certified to be conform to the guarantees.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 109 samples were completed during the month, 3 being under *Rivers Pollution*, 14 under *Public Health*, and 12 under *Food and Drugs Acts*. The number of special samples amounted to 80.

Rivers Pollution.

Sewage Works.—Three samples from Chapelhall Sewage Purification Works, including 1 sample of tank effluent, 1 sample of sludge from dosing tank, and 1 sample of sludge from septic tank.

Public Health.

The following samples of water from private sources:—well, Cowford Farm, Carstairs; water supply, Columbie Farm, Carstairs; well, Kilnhills Farm, Lesmahagow.

The following samples from public supplies:—Clean water tank, Glasford Filter, 6 samples; Burn near Greenleeshill Farm, Cambuslang, 1 sample; Townhill Filters, Burgh of Hamilton, 4 samples, consisting of 1 sample of raw water and 3 of filtered water. These samples were taken during official test of the Jewell Filters.

Special Samples.

Glasford Filters, Clean Water Tank, 41 daily samples, specially examined for colour and alkalinity.

Townhill Filters, Burgh of Hamilton, 35 daily samples specially examined for colour alkalinity, and alumina.

Flock, 1 sample, received from the Lower Ward Office, examined as to cleanliness and found to conform to standard laid down in Rag Flock Act, 1911.

Paint Materials, 3 samples, consisting of white lead, linseed oil, and turpentine. These samples were obtained at Lightburn Hospital. The linseed oil and turpentine were found to be genuine; the white lead was found to be of good quality.

Food and Drugs.

Milk 10 samples, 7 of which were found genuine and 3 were deficient in fat to the extent of 20 per cent.

Green peas, 2 samples, specially examined for copper. The examination was negative in both cases.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	5	6	...	2
Coal-dross Washers, - -	29	35	...	12
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	1	...	...
Paper Mills, - - -	1	1	...	1
Distillery, - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	4	5	3	...
Streams, - - - -	29	58	...	...
Total, - -	69	106	3	15

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.											Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Blackwood.	Blantyre.	Cambuslang.	Chapelhall.	Farm and Eastfield.	Hamilton.	Larkhall and Dalserf.	Lesmahagow and Coalburn.	Newarthill.	Uddingston.	Burgh of Wishaw.			
Sweet Milk, - - - -	6	...	1	...	1	4	5	...	...	8	2	27	27	5
Butter, - - - - -	...	2	2	3	1	...	2	...	1	...	1	12	9	...
Self-raising Flour, - - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...
Linseed Meal, - - - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Green Peas, - - - -	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	...
Ground Ginger, - - - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	6	2	3	3	2	5	7	2	1	8	5	44	41	5
Number of Shops, &c., Visited,	5	2	7	6	5	...	7	3	2	8	9	54	...	...

Informal samples, sweet milk, 11; butter, 7; flour, 1; green peas, 2.
,, ,, procured by means of an agent, butter, 6.
Formal ,, ,, ,, ,, butter, 2.
Received privately, sweet milk, 10; green peas, 1.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 24th April, 1913.

J. T. W.

October, 1912.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 859, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows :—

Medical Practitioners,	... 389	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 9
Hospital Physicians,	... 181	Slaughter-house Staff,	... 5
Public Health Staff,	... 275		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—522.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	16	28	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	20*	38†	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—
Lower ,,	1	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 132—	37	85	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	13	20	—	10	17	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	26	37	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 134—	39	57	5	10	17	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	2	5	—	—	1	—	11	101	2	—	—	—
Middle ,,	3	12	—	—	—	—	20	96	3	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 256—	5	17	—	—	1	—	31	197	5	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.
† ,, 2 ,, ,, ,, ,,

TYPHOID FEVER—39.

	Blood.							
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	8	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 22—	8	14	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 1—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	6	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 16—	6	10	—	—	—	—	—	—

1 Blood Specimen from 1 Member of the Hospital Staff treated with typhoid vaccine, and the details will be given in a future report.

TUBERCLE—97.

	Sputa. +	Sputa. o	Miscellaneous. +	Miscellaneous. o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	7	—	—
Middle ,, ...	4	32	—	2*
Lower ,, ...	2	4	—	—
Total, 52—	7	43	—	2
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	2	2	—	—
Middle ,, ...	19	15	—	—
Lower ,, ...	1	5	—	1†
Total, 45—	22	22	—	1
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—

* Fæces and Urine. † Urine.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—5.

Hairs for Ringworm.—1 specimen from School Medical Staff gave negative results.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—3 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave a positive result in one case.

Pernicious Anaemia.—1 specimen of blood from Middle Ward Medical Practitioner gave a negative result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—12.

Anthrax.—2 specimens of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon, taken from cases in the Upper and Lower Wards, gave positive results.

Tubercle.—1 specimen of liver and kidney, 1 liver and spleen, 1 gland and 1 muscle received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff, gave negative results.

Actinomycosis.—1 specimen of pus, received from Upper Ward Slaughter-house staff gave a negative result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears. +	Smears. o	Biological Tests. Commenced.	Biological Tests. Completed. +	Biological Tests. Completed. o
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	2	2	1	4
Lower ,,	1	—	—	—	—
Total, 5—	3	2	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—183.

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens. o
Hamilton, ...	1	1	3	19	2	15	—	1*	—	—	3¶	1
Airdrie, ...	—	3	4‡	1‡	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	2	3	4	6	4	8‡	—	—	—	—	1	—
Rutherglen,	1	1	—	4	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	2†	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1*	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	1	2§	—	—	—	—	2¶	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	16	52	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 183—	4	8	31	83	13	33	—	4	—	—	6	1

*Urine. † Milk ‡ Includes 1 from School Medical Staff. § Includes 2 from School Medical Staff.
¶ Includes 2 hairs for Ringworm, from School Medical Staff.

November, 1912.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 729, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	... 493	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 9
Hospital Physicians,	... 201	Slaughter-house Staff,	... 7
Public Health Staff,	... 19		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—282.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	14	37	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	27*	61†	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	2	9	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 155—	43	107	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	3	39	2	3	30	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	14	18	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total. 127—	17	58	9	3	31	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff and 1 Eye Swab.
† ,, 1 ,, ,, ,,

TYPHOID FEVER—41.

	Blood. Widal.		Blood. Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 21—	6	15	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 5—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	3	12	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 15—	3	12	—	—	—	—	—	—

TUBERCLE—137.

	Sputa. +	Sputa. o	Miscellaneous. +	Miscellaneous. o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	9	—	—
Middle ,, ...	11	39*	—	3†
Lower ,, ...	1	3	—	1‡
Total, 68—	13	51	—	4
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	5	—	—
Middle ,, ...	27	29	—	—
Lower ,, ...	7	—	—	—
Total, 69—	35	34	—	—
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—

* Includes 2 from School Medical Staff.
† 1 Specimen each, Urine, Fluid from Knee Joint, and Pleuritic Fluid.
‡ 1 ,, Pus.

4 specimens were subjected to the biological test, viz. :—1 pleuritic fluid received from Middle Ward Medical Practitioner, and 3 sputa received from Middle Ward Hospital Physicians. The former gave a positive result, and the latter gave negative results.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—10.

Hairs for Ringworm.—4 specimens received from School Medical Staff, 3 of which gave positive results.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—4 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave negative results.

Pathogenic Micro-organisms.—2 specimens of fluid from knee joint received from Middle Ward Practitioner gave negative results.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—10.

5 specimens received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff were examined for Tubercle, and gave positive results. 1 specimen of intestine examined for Johne's disease gave positive result, and 1 specimen of gland examined for Aspergillus gave negative result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears. +	Smears. o	Biological Tests. Commenced.	Biological Tests. Completed. +	Biological Tests. Completed. o
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	1	1	1	1
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 3—	2	1	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—249.

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens. o
Hamilton, ...	—	3	9	9	4	10	—	1‡	—	—	—	1
Airdrie, ...	—	1	—	2	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	1	—	3	6	1	8	—	—	—	—	—	6§
Rutherglen,	—	—	2	36	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	1†	—	—	—	—	—	1*
Lanark, ...	—	—	52	71*	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 249—	1	7	66	127	6	34	—	1	—	—	—	7

* Includes 1 milk. † From School Medical Staff. ‡ Urine. § Includes 5 milk.

December, 1912.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 560, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows :—

Medical Practitioners,	... 374	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 13
Hospital Physicians,	... 158	Slaughter-house Staff,	... —
Public Health Staff,	... 15		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables :—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—182.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	22	21	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	16	36	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower, ,,	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 110—	39	67	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	4	19	—	4	18	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	8	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 66—	12	29	—	4	18	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 6—	1	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TYPHOID FEVER—28.

	Blood.							
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total 16—	6	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 7—	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 5—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—

TUBERCLE—155.

	Sputa. +	Sputa. o	Miscellaneous. +	Miscellaneous. o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	4	6	—	1‡
Middle ,, ...	10	39*	1	—
Lower, ,, ...	2	7†	—	—
Total, 70—	16	52	1	1
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	4	—	—
Middle ,, ...	33	34	—	1‡
Lower ,, ...	6	5	—	1§
Total, 85—	40	43	—	2
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—

* Includes 2 from School Medical Staff.
† ,, 1 ,, ,, ,,
‡ 1 Pus. § Urine.

1 Pus and 1 Sputum received from Middle Ward Hospital Physician were subjected to the biological test with negative results.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—8.

Hairs for Ringworm.—3 specimens from School Medical Staff gave negative results.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—4 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff, one of which gave positive result.

1 uterine discharge received from Medical Practitioner gave negative result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—13.

Anthrax.—1 specimen received from County Veterinary Surgeon gave positive result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears. +	Smears. o	Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed. +	Completed. o
Upper Ward,	2	3	2	—	—
Middle ,,	2	2	2	1	—
Lower ,,	1	2	2	—	—
Total, 12—	5	7	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—174.

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens. o
Hamilton, ...	1	1	—	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	1†	32*
Airdrie, ...	—	—	1	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	—	1	6	7	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rutherglen,	—	1	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	1†
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	1	1	32	41	3	—	—	—	—	—	3†	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	1	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 174—	2	5	40	61	11	18	—	—	—	—	4	33

† Hairs for Ringworm for School Medical Staff.
* Includes Hairs from Ringworm from School Medical Staff, also 31 waters.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd July, 1913, being a meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 2nd July, 1913.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
J. P. Baird.
James Cameron.
George Fraser.
James H. Fenton.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
David K. Michie.
Alexander R. Mitchell.
William Neilson.
Gavin A. Shanks.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 14th May last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of meetings of the Joint-Committee of the Public Health Committee and of the District Committees on the question of the staffing arrangements of the Public Health Department, of dates 28th May and 25th June, 1913 (Appendices I. and II.), having been submitted, were approved of *Minutes of Joint-Committee on Staffing Arrangements.*

The meeting, having thereafter proceeded to consider the question of the salaries of the staff of the Public Health Department, the particulars regarding which are given in the Statement prepared by the County Medical Officer, which forms an Appendix to the minutes of this committee, of date 9th April, agreed to recommend to the County Council that the following increases of salary be granted, to take effect as from 15th May last, viz.:— *Salaries of Staff of Public Health Department.—Increases granted.*

Bacteriological Laboratory—

Dr. J. Hume Patterson—increased from £300 to £400, rising, by annual increments of £10, to £450.
Thomas Stewart—increased from £75 to £100.
David Bruce—increased from £15 to £20.

Chemical Laboratory—

Walter Brown—increased from £150 to £185.

Inspectors—

Robert M'Naughton—increased from £135 to £160.
Charles M'Ara—increased from £125 to £150.
Frank M'Arthur—increased from £125 to £150.
Duncan J. Black—increased from £85 to £100.

Office—

John H. Lindsay—increased from £110 to £130.
Robert Gray—increased from £70 to £80.
Althol Williamson—increased from £40 to £52.
Thomas Russell—increased from £25 to £35.
William Irons—increased from £15 to £20.

Dr. Scroggie formally appointed Senior Assistant County Medical Officer.

The meeting agreed that Dr. Scroggie, who had hitherto acted in that capacity, should now be formally appointed Senior Assistant County Medical Officer, and that he should supervise the staff in the absence of the County Medical Officer.

Reports by County Medical Officer for April and May.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the County Medical Officer, under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, for the months of April and May (Appendices III. and IV.), prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Rivers Pollution.—Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge.

The Clerk reported that Mr. William Allan Carter, C.E., to whom the Sheriff had, on 10th July last, made remits to report on the best practical and available means to prevent the pollution of the North Calder Water and other streams by the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge, had now presented his reports to the Court. Copies of each of the reports, with relative plans, were submitted to the meeting.

From Mr. Carter's report in the Airdrie case it appeared that that burgh had not yet formulated any scheme for dealing with the burgh sewage, and Mr. Carter, therefore, had considered how best the burgh sewage could be dealt with, and outlined a scheme which he considered would be suitable. In this report, however, as well as in the report in the Coatbridge case, he drew attention to the extreme desirability of the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge combining with the County Authorities to carry out a Joint Scheme for the drainage of their respective burghs, and of a small County area which drained into the streams passing through the Burgh of Coatbridge. The adoption of such a joint-scheme would, Mr. Carter estimated, lead to a saving of from £10,000 to £20,000, as compared with the total cost of separate schemes for the two burghs and the County area.

From the report in the Coatbridge case, it appeared that Coatbridge Town Council had obtained plans from Messrs. Kyle, Dennison, & Laing, C.E., Glasgow, for a scheme to deal with the burgh sewage, at a cost of about £50,000, subject to the explanation that this scheme would not include the whole sewage of the burgh, but would leave out two small areas, which would require to be subsequently provided for. Mr. Carter expressed general approval of the Burgh Scheme. As in the case of the Burgh of Airdrie, he, however, emphasized the desirability of careful consideration being given to the promotion of a Joint Scheme for the Burghs of Coatbridge and Airdrie, and the small portion of the County referred to.

The Clerk explained that in the ordinary course Mr. Carter's reports would be lodged in Court, when the burghs would have an opportunity of lodging any objections to his reports, and the County Council would be entitled to answer these.

Appointment of Sub-Committee.

It was agreed to appoint the following sub-committee, with whom the Clerk might consult from time to time as to further procedure in each of the cases, with power to take the opinion of Counsel as to what steps should be taken in connection with the case of the Burgh of Airdrie, viz.:—

James Cameron.	Robert Sharp.
James H. Fenton.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	James Tonner.

Mr. Lambie to be Chairman, and two a quorum.

Pollution of South Calder by Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.—Communication from Under-Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting the following communication which he had received from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, regarding the pollution of the South Calder by Stane and Kepplehill Collieries, viz.:—

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W., 30th June, 1913.

"Sir,

"Rivers Pollution Prevention.

"Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.

"Adverting to the letter from this office, of the 28th April last, on the subject of the above, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to say that he has now caused further inspection to be made at the above Collieries, with a view to ascertaining whether the remedial measures proposed by the Company have been satisfactorily proceeded with. I am directed to transmit herewith a copy of the report by the Inspector, Mr. Young, following on his investigation, and to say that Mr. McKinnon Wood would be glad to be favoured with the observations of the County Council thereon.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "James M. Dodds.

"22 Maxwell Drive,
"Glasgow, 25th June, 1913.

"The Under-Secretary for Scotland,
"Whitehall.

"Sir,

"Rivers Pollution Prevention.

"Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.

"I visited on the 21st May.—At Kepplehill Colliery the new settling pond for the 'washery' water was in use, the effluent was clean, as was also the pit-water ejected from the pump. At Stane Colliery conditions were as previously, with foul effluents from the old settling pond in use and from the pit-water pump—there was no admixture of 'washery' water with pit-water. The digging of the new settling pond was about half complete; continued wet weather has caused much delay. I wrote to the Co., reminding them that their period of grace (4 months) would expire on the 19th June.

"I visited again on the 20th June.—At Kepplehill conditions were satisfactory, and, as on the 21st May, the Contractor was at work on the second settling pond, extending and clearing it. At Stane the new settling pond was completely dug out, but not in use; the sluice gate was in position, but still needed a few bricks laid to finish the job. Mr. Gardner's excuse was that his bricklayer had been injured and was away from work. I told him that he must get another, and he promised that the work should be finished that day.

The old settling pond was in use, and conditions were as on the 21st May. 21st June—I telegraphed to know if new pond was in use at Stane, and received reply that it was ready. 23rd June.—I visited Stane Colliery. The new settling pond was now in use, and no 'washery' water was passing to the old pond. I was informed that the water was so diverted on the 21st. The old pond will be cleaned as soon as the Contractor has finished at Kepplehill. There is no pressing hurry for these second ponds, as the new ponds are calculated to provide for a year's working.

"Analyses of effluents taken on 20th and 23rd June:—

	Kepplehill Colliery.		Stane Colliery.	
	Pond.	Pit.	Pond.	Pit.
	Parts per 100,000.			
Matter in Suspension—				
Coal dust,	0·4	1·3	1·5	11·8
Mineral,	1·8	1·2	3·7	9·9
Matter in Solution—				
Chalk,	20·5	27·5	26·1	26·9
Sulphate of lime,	7·0	5·3	5·6	0·5
Salt,	2·2	2·3	3·8	4·1
Undetermined (mainly sulphate of soda),	19·7	21·7	6·7	3·2
Total,	51·6	59·3	47·4	56·4

"The mineral matter in suspension is partly finely-divided pyrites (sulphide of iron) and partly clay. I have no record as to what standard has been adopted for purity by my predecessors, but I consider that the effluents at Kepplehill and from Stane new settling pond can be passed without objection; the latter will tend to improve, since a small quantity of water only had accumulated in the pond when the sample was taken.

"The effluent pit-water pumped from Stane Colliery is very dirty, as was acknowledged in the Coal Company's letter of the 19th February. I am not clear whether their proposal to pump certain water to waste heaps and allow it to filter thence into one of the settling ponds refers to this water: if that was their intention, I recommend that they be advised to perform their promise. The remainder of their undertaking is fulfilled or in progress; and except for not being ready quite on the appointed day (19th June), the Coal Company may be congratulated on the work done.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "J. W. Young."

Committee's decision.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to reply that, while the committee were gratified to learn that the Company had carried out certain remedial works at the above Collieries, it was nevertheless very desirable that an Order of the Court should be obtained, which would place the County Council in a position to deal effectively with the Company, in the event of their failure to lay down satisfactory remedial works, or efficiently to operate these, when completed.

Pollution of North Calder by Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills.

There was submitted a communication from Messrs. Robert Craig & Sons regarding the pollution of the North Calder by Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Caldercruix Paper Mills,
"Caldercruix, 15th May, 1913.

"Dear Sir,

"We are in receipt of your letter, of 12th current, regarding the discharges from our mills at Moffat and here.

"In connection with the new settling tanks and arrangement for dealing with our effluent at Moffat Mills, the reason that this is not yet into operation

is that, in order to give the brickwork time to dry and settle properly before pouring the liquid into it, we are allowing it to stand for a little in the dry weather. To have begun to use these settling tanks immediately they were built would have run the risk of serious damage to the tanks and a probable much longer delay in getting them into full operation. We are now proceeding to complete the discharge pipes, and hope in a very short time to have the plant in work, and we are waiting to see what the effect will be before we decide definitely what to do regarding the Caldercruix outflow.

"As regards Caldercruix itself, we have improved the condition there very considerably by putting in plant that prevents all our lime sediment from causticizing operations and from our bleaching preparation going into the river, so that in that respect a very considerable improvement has been carried out. After we see the result of the new plant at Moffat Mill we shall then be in a better position to decide as to how to treat the effluent from the machines.

"Yours truly,

"*For* Robert Craig & Sons, Ltd.,

"J. Macnaughton."

The meeting agreed to delay consideration of the matter, pending the Special Report by the County Medical Officer on the whole subject.

Pollution of Auchter Water by Coltness Iron Company.

The Clerk stated that he had been in communication with the Coltness Iron Company with respect to a pollution of the Auchter Water by discharges of spent ammoniacal liquor from their works at Coltness, and he submitted and read the reply received from the Company, which was considered satisfactory.

Institution of Municipal and County Engineers. — Conference at Great Yarmouth.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers, inviting the appointment of representatives to attend a Conference on the Housing and Town Planning Act, 1909, to be held in Great Yarmouth on 16th and 17th current. The meeting, however, agreed that it was unnecessary to appoint representatives to this Conference.

National Association for the Prevention of Consumption, &c.—Conference in London.

There was also submitted a communication from the Honorary Secretary of the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption and other forms of Tuberculosis, inviting the appointment of representatives to attend the fifth annual Conference of the Association, to be held in London on 4th and 5th proximo. The meeting appointed the following representatives to attend the Conference, viz.:—

James Cameron.	Colonel King Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	James Tonner.

along with the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer.

Congress of Royal Sanitary Institute at Exeter.—Mr. Auld appointed in room of Mr. Fenton.

Mr. Fenton having intimated that it would not be convenient for him to attend the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute, to be held at Exeter from 7th to 12th current, to which he had been appointed one of the delegates from this Council, the meeting agreed to appoint Mr. Auld to take his place.

Food and Drugs.—Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts since the date of last meeting, as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
William Fleming, dairyman, Auldton Farm, Dalserf, Netherburn.	Sweetmilk—deficient in milk fat 9 per cent.	Sheriff found that the charge as made was not proven. An Appeal by way of a Stated Case has been intimated to the High Court of Justiciary.
James Kelso, dairyman, Clapperhowe, Motherwell.	Sweetmilk—deficient in milk fat 13 per cent.	Pled guilty, and fined £2.

Case of William Fleming.

In connection with the case of William Fleming above referred to, the meeting authorised the Clerk to obtain the opinion of Counsel before taking the case to the High Court.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT MEETING ON STAFFING ARRANGEMENTS OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 28th May, 1913, being a meeting of the Joint Committee of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark and of the District Committees on the question of the Staffing Arrangements of the Public Health Department. 28th May, 1913.

Present—

As representing the Public Health Committee of the County Council—

John Adam.	Robert Lambie.
J. Raeside Auld.	William Love.
James H. Fenton.	William Neilson.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Alexander Hamilton.	James C. Hope Vere.

As representing the District Committee of the Upper Ward—

J. P. Baird. | Peter P. Campbell.

Rev. Christopher M'Kune.

As representing the District Committee of the Lower Ward—

Walter C. B. Christie.	William Davie.
A. H. J. Briggs.	Thomas Fulton.

Robert Whyte.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.

Mr Lambie was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a print of the minutes of the Public Health Committee of the County Council, of date 9th April, containing the remit to their sub-committee, which was in the following terms :— *Remit.*

" The Clerk submitted a communication from the County Medical Officer, " of date 28th March, regarding proposed changes in the staff rendered necessary " for carrying into effect the provisions of the National Insurance Act with " respect to the treatment of Tuberculosis.

" There was also submitted a statement (Appendix I.), prepared by the " County Medical Officer, making certain suggestions relative to increases in " the salaries of several members of the staff of the Public Health Department.

" The meeting, after consideration, unanimously agreed to recommend that " the salary of Dr. Scroggie be increased from £250 to £400 per annum, but " delayed consideration of the question of the duties to be performed by him.

" A discussion having followed on the whole question of the relations of the " Public Health Department of the County to those of the District Committees " in the event of the suggestions of the County Medical Officer being given effect " to, the meeting appointed the following sub-committee to meet with repre- " sentatives of the several District Committees to consider and report on the " whole question of staffing arrangements, viz. :—

" John Adam,
" Thomas Arnot,
" J. Raeside Auld,
" James H. Fenton,
" George Fraser,
" Alexander Hamilton
" Robert Lambie,
" William Love,
" Alexander R. Mitchell,
" Gavin A. Shanks,
" James C. Hope Vere,

" along with the Convener and Vice-Convener."

Letter from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter, which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, which was as follows :—

" District Offices,
" Hamilton, 24th May. 1913.

" Dear Sir,

" PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

" I duly submitted to the appropriate committee of the District Committee your letter of the 17th ultimo, together with the enclosures which accompanied same, and I am now in a position to reply thereto.

" The whole subject has been fully and carefully considered by the committee, who have heard the views of Dr. Wilson, Medical Officer of Health. As you are aware, this District Committee had already concurred in the appointment of two medical practitioners to overtake tuberculosis work in the Middle Ward District, and who should be District Medical Officers of Health. In view of the resignation of Dr. Daniel Stewart, to take up an appointment in West Riding, however, the committee now propose—with the concurrence of Dr. Wilson—that three medical practitioners instead of two should be appointed—the salary in each case to be £300 per annum, rising on approved service to £400. With regard to Dr. Frank H. Scroggie, who is at present a County and District Medical Officer of Health, the committee propose, with Dr. Wilson's concurrence, that he should be appointed—while still retaining his present appointment—Chief Tuberculosis Officer for the Middle Ward District, it being understood that Dr. Wilson proposes to recommend that Dr. Scroggie should be appointed to a similar position in each of the other two Wards. The committee, I may say, acquiesce, so far as the Middle Ward District is concerned, in the proposal of the County Public Health Committee that Dr. Scroggie's salary should be increased to £400. In these circumstances, and on the proposals mentioned, it appeared to the committee that the whole situation as regards staffing under the new conditions, would be adequately met for the present, and that it might not now be thought necessary to have any conference on the subject between representatives of the County Council and the three District Committees, as had been suggested. If, however, it is still thought that such a conference would be helpful, the committee appointed representatives to attend same on their behalf.

" I shall be glad to hear from you at your early convenience.

" Yours, &c.,

(Signed) " W. E. WHYTE."

Clerk stated nature of proposals by Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk stated that, as the proposals indicated in the above communication seemed to contemplate a departure from the arrangement which had hitherto existed between the County Council and the District Committees in regard to the appointment of Medical Officers of Health, the matter would seem to require the careful consideration of all the parties concerned.

The Clerk further explained verbally the present position of the County Medical Officer and the District Medical Officers of Health.

Matter adjourned for further consideration.

After discussion, and as there appeared to be some doubt as to the purpose and effect of the proposals of the Middle Ward District Committee. the meeting agreed to adjournthe matter for further consideration.

APPENDIX II.

JOINT MEETING ON STAFFING ARRANGEMENTS OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 25th June, 1913, being a Meeting of the Joint Committee of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark and of the District Committees, on the question of the Staffing Arrangements of the Public Health Department. 25th June, 1913.

Present—

As representing the Public Health Committee of the County Council—

John Adam.	Alexander Hamilton.
Thomas Arnot.	Robert Lambie.
J. Raeside Auld.	William Love.
James H. Fenton.	William Neilson.
George Fraser.	Colonel King Stewart.

James C. Hope Vere.

As representing the District Committee of the Upper Ward—

J. P. Baird.	Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart.
P. P. Campbell.	Colonel Logan.

Rev. Christopher M'Kune.

As representing the District Committee of the Middle Ward—

John C. Burns.	William Templeton.
James Cameron.	David Thomson.

As representing the District Committee of the Lower Ward—

A. H. J. Briggs.	Thomas Fulton.
William Davie.	William Speirs.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
Jas. A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.
Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the joint-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the joint-committee, of date 28th ultimo, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Letter sent to Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee informing him as to what had passed at last meeting.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk stated that he had written to Mr. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, informing him as to what had passed at last meeting, the letter being in the following terms, viz. :—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 4th June, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

"I submitted and read your letter of the 24th ultimo to the meeting, on Wednesday last, of the joint-committee consisting of representatives of the County Public Health Committee and of the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees.

"As there seemed to be some doubt in the matter, I stated that my understanding of the proposal of your District Committee was that the District Committee should, under the powers conferred by the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1898, themselves appoint three medical men as District Medical Officers of Health, at salaries commencing at £300 per annum; that these officers would be purely District Officials, and would be responsible to the District Committee, by whom their salaries would be paid. I also stated that this proposal—if given effect to—involved a departure from the arrangement under section 52 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which has hitherto existed, and that the object in suggesting a conference in the matter was to consider the whole subject in view of the change of system originally suggested by Dr. Wilson—which has apparently now been approved by your committee—as obviously any such change would alter the situation, and would call for careful consideration, and very possibly, if not certainly, for a modification of the existing arrangements. It, therefore, seemed to be proper that the extent of any modification which would be necessitated should be presented to the County Council and District Committees at this stage.

"After general discussion, the meeting agreed to continue the matter for further consideration.

"I think it right to inform you of the position in which the matter now stands, in case your District Committee on reconsideration think it desirable to be represented on the joint-committee.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*"

Reply from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk also submitted and read a reply which he had received from Mr. Whyte, and which was as follows, viz. :—

"District Offices,
"Hamilton, 7th June, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

"I have received your letter of the 4th instant on this subject.

"I assumed that the position of this District Committee had been made perfectly clear, both in the communications of Dr. Wilson, Medical Officer of Health, and myself, but it might be well that it should be restated shortly.

"As you are aware, this District Committee have formulated a scheme for dealing with tuberculosis in the Middle Ward District of the County. That scheme necessarily involved the provision of adequate staffing. On the advice of Dr. Wilson, and with the view of completing the scheme as far as that was possible at this stage, the committee concurred in the appointment of two medical practitioners (three are now suggested, consequent on the resignation of Dr Stewart) to undertake tuberculosis work in the Middle Ward District, the persons to be appointed to be District Medical Officers of Health, under the supervision and direction of Dr. Wilson, and the commencing salary in each case to be £300 per annum, rising on approved service to £400.

In a communication addressed to you on 28th March last by Dr. Wilson, he recommended that Dr. Scroggie should be appointed Chief Tuberculosis Officer for

the County, and that his salary should, on that account, be increased. It is obvious, of course, that in the circumstances there were undoubted difficulties in making such an appointment, and when the matter was subsequently discussed by the Middle Ward District Committee, following on your letter of the 17th April, they expressed their willingness that Dr. Scroggie should be appointed Chief Tuberculosis Officer for the Middle Ward District, it being understood that Dr. Wilson intended to recommend that Dr. Scroggie should be appointed to a similar position in each of the other two wards. This, if agreed on, would have secured Dr. Wilson's expressed desire that Dr. Scroggie should be Chief Tuberculosis Officer in the three Districts of the County. It has all along been represented to the District Committee that the present County and District Medical, &c., Staff should, notwithstanding the advent of the tuberculosis question, continue as at present, and having regard to all these circumstances, it appeared to the District Committee —and Dr. Wilson concurred—that the whole situation as regards staffing under the new conditions would be adequately met for the present by the proposals above-mentioned. In communicating the committee's views to you in my letter of the 24th ultimo, I stated that, on the proposals above outlined, it might not be thought necessary to have any conference such as had been suggested, but that if it were thought that such a conference would be helpful, the Middle Ward would be pleased to be represented at same.

"It now appears from your letter under reply that the above-mentioned proposals will most probably call for a modification of the existing arrangements with respect to the joint County and Districts Medical Staff, and in these circumstances the Middle Ward District Committee will, of course, be pleased to attend any conference on the subject; and if you will be good enough to notify me of same when it has been fixed, I shall advise the Middle Ward members to be present.

"Yours faithfully,

"W. E. Whyte."

Clerk informs meeting of proposal discussed with the County Medical Officer.

The Clerk having suggested that it might shorten discussion and help to a satisfactory solution of the matter if the meeting were informed of the proposal which he had discussed with the County Medical Officer since the last meeting of the joint-committee, and which, if given effect to, would allow of the additional appointments that are now a matter of urgency being made at once.

The meeting having agreed to this suggestion, the Clerk stated that the proposal was, shortly, as follows:—That, assuming that five additional Medical Officers were required, that is, one for service in the Upper Ward, three in the Middle Ward, and one in the Lower Ward, the District Committees should nominate the Medical Officers, and the Public Health Committee of the County Council should appoint the persons so nominated in terms of Section 52 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

Under this arrangement the persons appointed would be Assistant County Medical Officers as well as District Medical Officers of Health, and they would be subject to the control of Dr. Wilson, as County Medical Officer. They would act in the districts of the County to which they might be respectively appointed. The *status quo* would accordingly in effect be maintained, except as regards the alteration of the manner of appointment.

The Clerk further stated that the proposal would, of course, be without prejudice to such alteration or modification as the County Council and the District Committees might at any future time think it expedient to make on the existing arrangement as regards the appointment of County Medical Officers and of District Medical Officers of Health under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, and the Public Health Act respectively.

Proposal approved.

The meeting, after discussion, unanimously approved of the proposal indicated, and the representatives of the Public Health Committee and of the several District Committees agreed to recommend accordingly to their respective committees.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER, *APRIL, 1913.*

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &c.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

101 inspections and visits of enquiry were made, 23 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
Coltness Iron Works, -	4th April.	†Spent liquor flow from disused mine to Auchter Water.
Mossend Steel ,, -	7th	*Accidental pollution, defect in pump circulating spent liquor in plant. Remedied.
Shotts Iron ,,	25th	*Overflow of spent liquor from collecting sand pits. Under repair.
Barblues Colliery, - -	24th	*Overflow from silt recovery and settling area.
Blantyre Farme Colliery, -	2nd	*Defective surface drain. Remedied.
Craighead ,, -	9th	*Remedial measures to prevent polluting overflow from collecting pond incomplete.
Fortrigg ,, -	17th	*Settling area defective.
Gateside ,, -	19th	*Settling pond overflowing to burn.
Kepplehill ,, -	3rd, 14th, 23rd, 25th	†Defective ponds, remedy in progress.
Stane ,, -	3rd, 22nd	†Defective ponds, remedy in progress.
Westwood ,, -	4th, 18th	*Pollution intermittent, remedy in progress.
Glengowan Print Work, -	10th	†Coloured and turbid discharge.
Caldercruix Paper Mill, -	10th	†Settling ponds silted up.
Moffat ,, -	1st and 10th	†New ponds still under construction.

* Reported at Company's office. † Reported to County Clerk.

Trade Pollutions.

Coltness Iron Works.—The discharge of spent liquor here affected the Auchter Water, and was detected as coming from a disused mine into which the liquor is disposed of at intervals. Similar pollution was brought to the notice of the owners of the works in November last, but owing to winter spates it was impossible to get down to the outfalls.

Mossend Steel Works.—The pollution here was due to an accidental breakdown in one of the pumps circulating liquor between a small collecting tank at the sulphate house and the cooling plant, where it is used for washing gas passing to the steel furnaces. Remedial measures were at once adopted.

Shotts Iron Works.—Intermittent pollution by spent liquor has again been detected here. The cause of this, as far as ascertained, has been pointed out to the Works Foreman, who has had the sand-pits repaired so as to prevent further overflows of liquor direct to the South Calder.

Barblues Colliery.—This colliery is situated on the watershed of the River Almond, near Harthill. For some time remedial measures have been in progress, and now a silt recovery is in use. A large overflow of coal washings is, however, allowed to flow continuously from the silt recovery tank to the settling areas which are at present under repair. The necessary remedial measures were discussed with the Manager, who agreed to carry them out without delay.

Craighead Colliery.—Improvements on the measures to prevent pollution at this colliery were effected some time ago, but were not satisfactorily completed. Since the pollution now reported was detected, a meeting with one of Messrs. Baird's general managers has been held on the ground, and the satisfactory completion of the improvement promised.

Fortrigg Colliery.—The drainage of this colliery also flows towards the River Almond at Shotts. Serious pollution was detected, the effluent containing 193 parts of suspended solids per 100,000. Remedial measures are in progress.

Gateside Colliery.—The serious pollution was detected on Saturday, 19th April, and was due to the settling pond being allowed to overflow direct to the burn. This overflow was caused by a discharge of pit water from an overhead tank. Remedial measures have been discussed with the Colliery Manager, and are in progress.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—The remedial measures at Kepplehill Colliery have been pressed forward, and a large settling pond provided with a satisfactory sluice has been brought into use. At Stane Colliery a start has been made to have the large silted-up settling pond cleaned out. The Contractor expects to have it ready for use within a month.

Westwood Colliery.—The remedial measures which have been in progress here for some time have just been completed. Pollution has, however, been again detected at a point where coal washings are discharged on the pit refuse bing. The part of the bing in use as a settling area is not suitable, and further remedial measures have been arranged.

Glengowan Print Work.—The discharge of effluent from the settling ponds here was highly-coloured and turbid, and affected the North Calder.

Caldercruix Paper Mill.—The settling ponds here were all found full of sludge, and the effluent coloured and turbid.

Moffat Paper Mill.—The new settling ponds here have not yet been brought into use. There appears to be some delay in getting the pumps in order for delivering the sludge to the new settling area.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Aitkenhead and Tannochside Drainage District.—Special inspection and inquiries were made, along with the District Engineer, regarding the disposal of sewagef rom Nackerty Rows, which drain towards the Ravel Burn, a tributary of the North Calder.

Bellshill Sewage Works.—A series of six hours' average sampling of the crude sewage, tank, and filter effluents, was carried out at these works on 30th April. Owing to heavy rainfall during the previous night, the maximum flow was passing through the tanks and filters. The result of analyses, however, show the average purification effected was 63 per cent., as calculated on the albuminoid ammonia and the oxygen absorbed. This figure may be expected to be much higher with a dry-weather flow.

Chryston and Muirhead Sewage Works.—Inspection was made of these works and the effluent found to be affecting the Bothlin Burn for a short distance.

Loanend Cottages.—The discharge from the sewage works was found to be unsatisfactory. Arrangements have been made for cleaning out the septic tank and rebuilding the filter material, which has become silted up and ineffective.

Lesmahagow.—The Medical Officer and Rivers Inspector made an inspection, in company with the local committee's Engineer, in connection with a proposal to construct a new intercepting and outfall sewer to discharge into the River Nethan further away from the village than the present outfalls, which have been a cause of complaint. A site for purification works and means for purification were also considered. The question of preventing pollution has been before the local Drainage Committee for some considerable time.

Thankerton.—The Medical Officer and Rivers Inspector attended a meeting of the local Drainage Committee, when an inspection of the tank and irrigation area was also made, to consider means of improving the purification and avoiding complaints of nuisance. Several proposals were carefully considered, and one to clean out the tank and irrigate the sewage entirely on Boat Farm, further from the village than the present irrigation field, was agreed on as an immediate remedy. The satisfactory disposal of the sewage from this small Special District has become more difficult since the erection of the creamery at Thankerton Station.

New Lanark.—In connection with an inspection at New Lanark, defects in the filter beds at the sewage works, and in the methods of disposing of slop water were observed and reported to the proprietors, who have promised to take means to remove cause for complaint.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions 18 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

Luggie Water.—Inspection was made of the trade sources of pollution at Auchengeich and Bedley Collieries and Ammonia Works, situated on tributaries of this stream. The remedial measures at each place were found in satisfactory working order.

North Calder.—The upper reach of this stream is still affected by trade effluents from Glengowan Print Works and the Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills. A report referring to the pollution from these sources was sent to the County Clerk.

Whinney Burn.—On the 8th April, a series of samples was taken for analysis, the results of which show that pollution by iron water from Excelsior Iron Works affects the upper reach of the burn.

South Calder.—The upper reach of this stream is still affected by coal-dross washings from Kepplehill, Stane, and Westwood Collieries. The new pond at Kepplehill Colliery was brought into use during the current month, so that improvement will follow shortly.

Complaints.

Broomfield Farm, Netherburn.—Inquiries were made into a complaint of pollution of water supplies on this farm by discharges from Broomfield Colliery, and reports submitted. The matter is not yet, however, disposed of.

New Lanark.—An inspection and inquiries were made into a complaint of pollution of the River Clyde by household and other refuse from the village and mills at New Lanark, when the method of disposal was found to be unsatisfactory. A report was submitted to the County Clerk, who communicated with the proprietors, the Gourock Ropework Co., Ltd., and they are carefully considering proper methods of disposal.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 65; and 55 samples, including 19 informal samples, were procured (see Table II.). Of these samples, 43 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 10 in the Chemical Laboratory, and 2 were not analysed—being informal samples of butter procured, by means of agents, from provision carts.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date purchased.	Locality where purchased	Certified.
126	Sweet milk, -	9th April.	Larkhall.	15 per cent. deficient in milk fat.
130	Do., -	15th ,,	Blantyre.	6 per cent. deficient in milk fat.

The sample of Gregory's Mixture was certified to be not of the nature, substance, and quality of Gregory's Powder, in respect that it does not contain the ingredients specified in the "Pharmacopœia." According to the "Pharmacopœia," Gregory's Powder should contain 66·6 per cent. of magnesia (magnesium oxide), whereas this sample contains 53·5 per cent. or thereby of hydrated carbonate of magnesia. The manufacturers were communicated with. They replied that their Gregory's Mixture was prepared according to the "British Pharmacopœia" standard. From the analysis, however, it is

apparent they have not done so, and they were again communicated with on the matter. They replied admitting that their stock of calcined magnesia (magnesium oxide) contains hydrated carbonate of magnesia, but that it must have taken place by absorption of carbonic acid gas from the atmosphere. Their stock of calcined magnesia, which was used in the manufacture of the sample of Gregory's Mixture complained of, had been lying exposed to the atmosphere of their stores in Glasgow for about a year. They submitted a sample for analysis by Messrs. R. R. Tatlock & Thomson, and sent a copy of the analyst's report, which is as follows, viz.:—

"*Analysis of a Sample of Calcined Magnesia received on the 21st instant.*

When heated to a dull redness, the sample lost 8·7 per cent., which consists of carbonic acid and water, and this is equal to 15 per cent. of hydrated magnesium carbonate, or the 'light magnesium carbonate' of the 'British Pharmacopœia.' According to the requirement of that publication, calcined magnesia 'when heated to dull redness should lose little or no weight.'

If the calcined magnesia had been originally up to the proper standard, *the presence of the hydrated carbonate may be accounted for if the article had been exposed to the atmosphere for a period.* In order to keep calcined magnesia in proper condition, it requires to be kept in practically air-tight vessels.

Of course, this calcined magnesia could be put right by calcining it at a dull red heat."

As the above explanation is quite reasonable, it has not been considered desirable to lodge a formal complaint with a view to legal proceedings.

Two samples of butter, procured by means of an agent from vans belonging to two Irish provision dealers, were certified to be genuine butter. These dealers call at various places in the county surrounding a centre where they have an Irish provision shop. They only call on people who are known to them as customers, and these are supplied with margarine for butter. A few pieces of Irish butter are also kept for supplying new customers who are suspected to be agents of the inspectors. Further samples will be taken.

Two samples of self-raising flour were certified to contain 7 per cent. and 10 per cent. respectively of calcium sulphate. These are within the limit of 10 per cent laid down by Dr. Hamill in his report to the Local Government Board.

Bleached Flour.—A sample of flour was received privately from a baker within the County area who complained he had not been supplied with what he had ordered. He ordered flour milled from Manitoban wheat, and to be unbleached. From various circumstances connected with the consignment, he was of opinion that the flour had not been milled from Manitoban wheat, and that it was bleached. On the sample being analysed in the Chemical Laboratory, it was certified to contain 2·55 parts of nitrogen as sodium nitrite per million of flour. An inspector made further inquiries and ascertained that the sample as left by the baker had been taken from the top of an opened bag in the bakehouse. In order to make certain that the air of the bakehouse was not the source of the nitrites, he took two other samples from a bag deposited with the rest of the consignment in an outside store. One of these samples was taken from the top of the bag and the other from the centre. On analysis these were both certified to contain 3·50 parts of nitrogen as sodium nitrite, showing that the nitrites were evenly distributed throughout the flour. The nitrites present in this flour are considerably in excess of that found in genuine flour, and are presumably due to bleaching in the process of milling. It should be added that a microscopical examination of the flour was also made in the Bacteriological Laboratory which showed it to be a high-grade flour.

Two samples of raspberry jam were certified to be genuine, and free from any extraneous fruits or seeds.

Of the informal samples, one sample of sweet milk was certified to be 35 per cent. deficient in fat, and 5 per cent. deficient in milk solids other than fat, and a sample of butter was certified to be margarine. Arrangements will be made to procure formal samples by means of agents. Three informal samples of sweet milk, procured from cows which were milked in presence of the inspectors, were certified to contain 4·3, 4·1, and 3·8 per cent. of milk fat respectively.

Complaint of Contaminated Milk Supply.—Inquiries were made into a complaint made by the Dalziel Co-operative Society, Ltd., Motherwell, of the quality of the milk supplied to them by a farmer in the Middle Ward District of the County. The complaint showed that, on numerous occasions for nearly a month, a portion of both the evening and morning milk had a bad taste and an objectionable odour, which the farmer was quite unable to account for or prevent. Immediately on receipt of the complaint one of the inspectors inquired into the matter, and the information he elicited pointed to the probability of a single cow's milk being contaminated. In the course of his inquiries he took 34 different samples, including samples of the milk of all the cows in the herd. These were first examined physically, with the result that the milk of one animal was found to be badly tainted even a few hours after milking. Samples of this cow's milk, and other control samples, were also examined in the Bacteriological Laboratory, and, from the results of examination, and the history of the cow obtained by the inspector, the trouble was found to be due to a bacterial affection of the cow's udder. The supply from the affected cow, which was nearing the end of her lactation period, and only giving a small quantity of milk, was at once stopped, and the source of contamination removed.

Milk Standard.—In connection with this inquiry, 329 samples were taken and analysed.

Margarine Contraventions.—Two offences were detected:—(1) want of labelling; and (2) supplying margarine in plain wrapper in connection with informal samples.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration:—

Case No. 87.—A sample of sweet milk, certified to be deficient in milk fat 12 per cent. The case was heard before Sheriff Shennan, in Hamilton, on 6th May, when the respondent admitted the offence, and an agent made an explanation on his behalf. The Sheriff imposed a penalty of £2, the alternative being eight days' imprisonment.

Cases Nos. 46, 126, *and* 130.—It was considered inadvisable to take legal proceedings.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Acts.—Two inspections were made during the month, and 6 samples, including 1 informal sample, of fertilisers were procured, as follows:—At Strathaven Railway Station, at the request of the Avondale Farmers' Analytical Association, 5 samples, viz.:—Nitrate of soda, 26 per cent. and 30 per cent. superphosphates, 22 per cent. and 30 per cent. basic slag. The informal sample, 22 per cent. basic slag, was procured from a farmer in Strathaven. All the samples were analysed by the Agricultural Analyst, and were certified to be conform to the guarantees.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 353 samples were completed during the month, 11 being under *Rivers Pollution*, 3 under *Public Health*, and 337 under *Food and Drugs Acts*. The remaining 2 were special samples.

Rivers Pollution.

Trade Effluents.—Fortrigg Colliery, Shotts, 1 sample of effluent as discharging to River Almond; Excelsior Iron Works, 1 sample of liquor from tank containing discharge from pickling house.

Pit Waters.—Broomfield Colliery, 1 sample; Shields Colliery, 1 sample.

Streams.—Whinny Burn, 4 samples; Rumbling Syke Burn, 2 samples; Dalziel Burn, 1 sample.

Public Health.

The following samples of water from private sources:—Well, Frankfield House, Millerston; spring (proposed supply), Douglas West; water running in open channel, Douglas West.

Food and Drugs.

Milk, 7 samples, all of which were found to be genuine; flour, 1 sample, found to contain 2·55 parts per million of nitrite-reacting material expressed as sodium nitrite. In connection with the investigation as to the variations in the composition of cow's milk, 329 samples were analysed.

Special Samples.

Two samples of tar, as used for road-making purposes, were analysed. The analyses included the estimation of specific gravity; free carbon, distillate at 170°C. and 270°C., and water.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, - -	7	10	...	3
Coal-dross Washers, - -	22	40	8	13
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	1	...	1
Paper Mills, - - - -	2	3	...	3
Distillery, - - - -	1	1	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	8	8	5	...
Streams, - - - - -	17	38	10	3
Total, - -	58	101	23	23

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.										Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Blackwood.	Blantyre.	Cambuslang.	Carnbroe.	Chapelhall.	Chapelton.	East Kilbride.	Larkhall.	Shotts.	Strathaven.			
Sweet Milk, - -	3	6	7	1	1	...	3	11	5	3	40	40	3
Butter, - - -	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	1	...	...	6	4	1
Flour, - - -	...	4	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	...
Self-raising Flour, -	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	2	...
Raspberry Jam, - -	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	2	...
Gregory's Mixture, -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	1
Total Samples in each Locality,	3	12	7	1	5	1	3	12	8	3	55	53	5
Number of Shops, &c., Visited,	...	16	5	1	8	3	2	12	16	2	65	...	...

Informal samples, sweet milk, 10; butter, 5; flour, 4.
" " procured by means of an agent, sweet milk, 1; butter, 5.
Samples taken on delivery, sweet milk, 8.
Received privately, sweet milk, 5; flour, 1.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 24th May, 1913.

J. T. W.

January, 1913.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 480, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	... 288	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 11
Hospital Physicians,	... 165	Slaughter-house Staff,	... 1
Public Health Staff,	... 15		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—139.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	10	16	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	14	25	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	—
Lower ,,	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 81—	26	44	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	3	9	1	2	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	6	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 47—	9	24	1	2	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 11—	—	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TYPHOID FEVER—30.

	Blood.				Fæces.		Urine.	
	Widal.		Culture.					
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	4	6	—	—	—	1	—	1
Lower ,,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 16—	5	9	—	—	—	1	—	1
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	3	5	—	—	—	1	—	1
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 11—	4	5	—	—	—	1	—	1
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 3—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—

TUBERCLE—187.

	Sputa. +	Sputa. o	Miscellaneous. +	Miscellaneous. o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	12	—	—
Middle ,, ...	16	43	—	1*
Lower ,, ...	1	6	—	—
Total, 80—	18	61	—	1
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	3	2	—	—
Middle ,, ...	44	42	—	1†
Lower ,, ...	10	5	—	—
Total, 107—	57	49	—	1
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—

* Urine. † Spinal fluid also examined biologically with negative result.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—3.

Hairs for Ringworm.—1 specimen from School Medical Staff gave negative result.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave a positive result.

1 specimen of urethral discharge received from Middle Ward Medical Practitioner gave a negative result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—12.

Anthrax.—1 specimen of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon, taken from case in the Lower Ward, gave positive result.

Pathogenic Micro-organisms.—1 specimen of spleen received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave negative result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears. +	Smears. o	Biological Tests. Commenced.	Biological Tests. Completed. +	Biological Tests. Completed. o
Upper Ward,	2	1	—	—	2
Middle ,,	1	1	1	—	2
Lower ,,	2	2	2	—	4
Total, 10—	5	5	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—109.

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens. o
Hamilton, ...	1	—	—	3	7	8*	—	1†	—	—	1	1
Airdrie, ...	—	1	—	1	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	—	—	1	5*	1	6	—	—	—	—	3	1
Rutherglen,	—	—	1	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	1	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	1	11	18	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	1	2	7	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 109—	2	4	16	37	18	25	—	1	—	—	4‡	2‡

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.
† Milk.
‡ Hairs for Ringworm from School Medical Staff.

February, 1913.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 461, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	... 287	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 20
Hospital Physicians,	... 141	Slaughter-house Staff,	... —
Public Health Staff,	... 13		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—148.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	12	*12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	15	54	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	1
Lower ,,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 106—	27	67	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	1
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	1	9	—	—	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	4	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 38—	5	23	—	—	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 4—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.

TYPHOID FEVER—29.

	Blood.								
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæcee.		Urine.		
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	
Medical Practitioners—									
Upper Ward,	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Middle ,,	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Lower ,,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total, 18—	7	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Hospital Physicians—									
Upper Ward,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Middle ,,	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Lower ,,	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total, 5—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Public Health Staff—									
Upper Ward,	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Middle ,,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total, 6—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	

TUBERCLE—175.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	3	9	—	—
Middle ,, ...	7	47	—	—
Lower ,, ...	3	8	—	—
Total, 77— ...	13	64	—	—
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	7	4	—	—
Middle ,, ...	38	39	—	1*
Lower ,, ...	3	6	—	—
Total, 98— ...	48	49	—	1
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, ...	—	—	—	—

* Urine.

12 specimens of sputa received from Middle Ward Hospital Physicians were subjected to the biological test, and gave negative results.

CEREBRO-SPINAL MENINGITIS—1.

1 spinal fluid received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave a negative result.

This specimen was also subjected to the biological test for tubercle, with negative result.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—5.

Hairs for Ringworm.—1 specimen received from School Medical Staff gave positive result.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—3 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave positive results.

1 specimen of urethral discharge received from Middle Ward practitioner gave negative result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—20.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Commenced.	Biological Tests. Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	3	7	5	—	1
Middle ,,	3	7	5	1	1
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 20—	6	14	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—83.

	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle other than Phthis.is.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
Burgh.	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton, ...	2	1	—	1	3	8	*1	—	—	—	—	—
Airdrie, ...	—	1	—	1	—	5	—	*2	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge, ...	1	1	4	3	2	7	—	‡1	—	—	—	—
Rutherglen, ...	—	1	1	2	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	†1
Kirkintilloch,	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	3	8	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 83—	3	5	8	17	13	32	1	3	—	—	—	—

* Milk. † Hairs for Ringworm from School Medical Staff. ‡ Urine.

March, 1913.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 524, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners, ...	348	Veterinary Surgeons, ...	2
Hospital Physicians, ...	153	Slaughter-house Staff. ...	9
Public Health Staff. ...	12		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS.—115.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward.	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	10	37	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Lower ,,	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 70—	17	51	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	5	11	—	—	15	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	2	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 43—	9	16	2	—	15	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 2—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TYPHOID FEVER—32.

	Blood.				Fæces.		Urine.	
	Widal.		Culture.					
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	4	16	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 23—	4	19	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 2—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total. 7—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—

TUBERCLE—199.

	Sputa. +	Sputa. o	Miscellaneous. +	Miscellaneous. o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	7	17*	—	—
Middle ,, ...	17	39*	—	1†
Lower ,, ...	2	9	—	—
Total, 92—	26	65	—	1
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	1	—	—
Middle ,, ...	53	45	—	—
Lower ,, ...	5	3	—	—
Total, 107—	58	49	—	—
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff. † Fæces.

4 specimens of sputa received from Middle Ward Hospital Physicians were subjected to the biological test with negative results.

CEREBRO-SPINAL MENINGITIS—1.

1 spinal fluid received from Lower Ward Hospital Physician gave negative result.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—8.

Hairs for Ringworm.—3 specimens received from School Medical Staff, 2 of which gave positive results.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—3 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff, two of which gave positive results.

1 blood for pernicious anæmia, and 1 urethral swab received from Middle Ward medical practitioners gave negative results.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—11.

1 specimen received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave negative result.

Tubercle.—1 specimen from trachea received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff, gave positive result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears. +	Smears. o	Biological Tests. Commenced.	Biological Tests. Completed. +	Biological Tests. Completed. o
Upper Ward,	2	4	4	1	—
Middle ,,	1	2	2	1	2
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 9—	3	6	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—158

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens. o
Hamilton, ...	1	4	—	2	4	23	—	2*	—	—	—	64¶
Airdrie, ...	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	—	3	1	7	1	9	—	10†	—	—	—	1
Rutherglen,	—	—	—	1	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2‡	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	1	9	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 158—	1	7	2	20	9	40	—	14	—	—	—	65

* 1 Milk, 1 Urine. † 9 Milk, 1 Urine. ‡ 2 Milk.
¶ Includes Hairs for Ringworm, 1 fluid from knee joint, also 62 waters.

April, 1913.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 470, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	... 230	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 12
Hospital Physicians,	... 183	Slaughter-house Staff,	... 1
Public Health Staff,	... 44		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—81.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	p
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle „	3	26	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower „	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 38—	5	31	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	3	11	—	—	11	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle „	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower „	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total, 38—	7	17	—	—	11	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle „	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower „	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 5—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TYPHOID FEVER—21.

	Blood.						
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle „	3	11	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower „	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 17—	4	13	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle „	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower „	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 3—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle „	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower „	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 1—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

5 blood specimens from members of the Hospital Staff treated with typhoid vaccine, the details of which will be given in a future report.

TUBERCLE—218.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
Medical Practitioners—	+	o	+	o
Upper Ward, ...	6	11	—	—
Middle ,, ...	10	52	—	1*
Lower ,, ...	—	2	—	—
Total, 82—	16	65	—	1
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	8	4	—	—
Middle ,, ...	57	53	—	1*
Lower ,, ...	6	7	—	—
Total, 136—	71	64	—	1
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—

*Urine.

5 specimens of sputa received from Middle Ward Hospital Physicians were subjected to the biological test, and gave negative results.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—11.

Ringworm.—3 specimens of hairs, and 1 of epidermis, received from School Medical Staff, gave positive results.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—3 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave a positive result in one case.

Pathogenic Organisms.—1 sputum and 1 urine received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave a positive result in the former.

1 specimen of urine received from Middle Ward Hospital Physician was examined for diabetes and gave a negative result.

1 urethral swab received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave a negative result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—48.

Glanders.—1 specimen of lung, from Middle Ward, received from County Veterinary Surgeon, and examined microscopically and biologically for glanders, gave negative result.

Deleterious micro-organisms.—35 specimens of milk, taken from a dairy herd in the Middle Ward, were examined, and gave positive results in 5 specimens.

1 specimen of muscle received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff was examined for sarcoma with positive result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	6
Middle ,,	4	7	1	—	4
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 11—	4	7	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS.—86.

Burgh.	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle, other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
Hamilton, ...	—	2	—	1	3	6	‡1	—	—	—	1	—
Airdrie, ...	—	1	—	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	1	—
Coatbridge,	2	1	2	—	2	9*	—	—	—	—	†1	§4
Rutherglen,	—	1	—	1	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	†1
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	†3	†2
Lanark, ...	—	—	2	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	†17	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 86—	2	5	5	6	10	27	1	—	—	—	23	7

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff. † Hairs for Ringworm from School Medical Staff. ‡ Milk.
§ Includes 1 Hair for Ringworm from School Medical Staff.

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

MAY, 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

160 inspections were made, 27 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
Coltness Iron Works, -	May 20th	†Spent liquor pollution from disused mine, intermittent pollution.
Allanton Colliery, - -	15th	*Portion of tank overflow discharging to stream. Remedied.
Bardykes ,, - -	23rd	*Overflow from settling area turbid, affecting Spittal Burn.
Bellfield ,, - -	2nd	*Bing pond effluent unsatisfactory. Remedied.
Craighead ,, - -	16th	Slight pollution from bing pond.
Gilbertfield ,, - -	1st and 7th	*Defects on pond and bing. Remedied.
Kepplehill ,, - -	5th	*Defective pond. Remedied.
North Motherwell Colliery,	5th	*Bing pond, &c., out of order. Remedied.
Swinhill Colliery, - -	16th and 23rd	*Settling area defective.
Westwood, - - -	6th	*Settling area on bing defective.
Glengowan Print Work, -	16th and 29th	Coloured and turbid discharge.
Caldercruix Paper Mill, -	16th and 27th	Settling ponds silted up.
Moffat, - - - -	14th, 27th, & 29th	Coloured and turbid discharge.

* Reported at Company's office. † Reported to County Clerk.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Coltness Iron Works.—The discharge from the disused mine containing spent liquor is still intermittent, affecting the Auchter Water. There is also a slight discharge from the Gas-work plant near the Morningside Road Bridge, Newmains.

Allanton Colliery.—The pollution detected here was due to an overflow from the silt recovery tank going direct to the Allanton Burn. During the month a rearrangement of the discharge pipes from the silt recovery tank and the main outfall pipe and valves has been carried out at considerable expense. These alterations, it is expected, will help to prevent intermittent pollution.

Bardykes Colliery.—The pollution detected was due to surface disturbance of the large sheet of water covering the settling area, from which the discharge was turbid, affecting the Spittal Burn. A sample of the stream contained 93 parts per 100,000 suspended matter.

Bellfield Colliery.—The effluent from the bing pond in use at the time of inspection was found to be unsatisfactory, and immediately this was reported the washings were diverted to another bing pond, from which an excellent effluent is usually obtained.

Craighead Colliery.—The satisfactory completion of the improvements in the preventive measures referred to in last month's report had almost been carried out at the time of an inspection made during the month. These improvements consisted of the diversion of a collecting pond overflow, and the formation of a pond or settling area to retain this overflow, which formerly went direct to the River Clyde. The slight pollution detected during the current month was from a different source, and will be reported at a favourable opportunity.

Gilbertfield Colliery.—Owing to structural defects on the settling pond and on the pipes to the bing settling area, pollution affected the Light Burn. The colliery Manager gave instructions to have the defects repaired.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—The remedial measures are still in progress. At Kepplehill Colliery the new pond was brought into use during the month. Special care has been taken in the construction of the sluice of this pond, with satisfactory results. The course of the burn below Kepplehill is now clear. At Stane Colliery one of the large settling ponds is almost completely cleaned out, and is expected to be in use during the current month.

North Motherwell Colliery.—Quite a number of defects were observed here and reported to the colliery Manager, along with whom a special inspection was made. As a result of this inspection and complaint, the low-lying settling area has been cleaned out, and a commencement made to bank off a new area on the bing. Other minor repairs were also carried out.

Swinhill Colliery.—A serious defect in the settling area observed at this colliery on the 16th, was said to have been removed, but was again evident on the 23rd, and further reported.

Westwood Colliery.—A sample of the effluent discharging from the bing settling area was taken on the 6th May, and was found on analysis to contain 3,988 parts per 100,000 suspended matter. The colliery Company has been

requested to clean out a large silted-up area on the bing, so that the effluent might be conveyed to it. At present pollution occurs at a part of the bing which is quite unsuitable for the filtration of the effluent.

Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills.—The discharges from these mills still continue to affect the North Calder. At Caldercruix the whole of the settling ponds are silted up, while at Moffat the discharge is passing from the paper machines and the patent filter plant direct to the river.

Glengowan Print Work.—The discharge was highly discoloured and turbid, and affected the North Calder.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Lower Ward Sewage Works.—Inspections were made of the sewage works at Bishopbriggs and Stepps with special reference to distribution of the effluent. A slight alteration was made on the working of the distributing trays, so as to prevent the ponding-up of liquid, which gave rise to a deposit of polluting matter.

Middle Ward Sewage Works.—Inspections were made of the sewage works at Bonkle, Chapelhall, and Newton and Flemington. The works at Bonkle on the Auchter Water are now near completion.

Loanend Cottages.—The septic tank has been cleaned out, and the filter material cleaned and rebuilt. This should result in an improvement of the effluent going to the Spittal Burn.

Gartness Village.—The sewage from this village still discharges into the small watercourse complained of by the occupier of Gimmerscroft Farm last year. There are also large accumulations of household refuse on the left bank of the water-course. This matter has been reported to the Middle Ward Public Health Department.

Carluke, Joek's Burn.—Early in the month the Medical Officer attended a meeting and inspection in connection with the proposals to prevent the sewage pollution of this stream by discharges from Carluke Special Drainage District. A scheme has been agreed on and will be gone on with as soon as possible.

Douglas West.—Inspections and exhaustive inquiries were made by the Medical Officer and Rivers Inspector, with a view to ascertaining the best drainage outfall and method of disposing of the drainage from the workmen's houses, proposed to be erected at Douglas West by the Wilsons & Clyde Coal Company, Ltd.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollution, twenty-three streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

North Calder.—A special inspection was made on 29th May, along with the Chemist, and a series of samples taken from the upper reach of the stream above and below each of the three sources of pollution, viz.:—Glengowan Print Work and Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills. The samples showed considerable pollution, and will be reported on specially.

South Calder.—Inspection was made late on Saturday, 31st May, with a view to detecting spent ammoniacal liquor pollution alleged to occur on this stream at week-ends. Pollution was not, however, detected. Further observations will be continued.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

The visits made during the month amounted to 86; and 45 samples, including 13 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these samples, 39 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 6 in the Chemical Laboratory.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date purchased.	Locality where purchased.	Certified.
172	Dripping, - -	12th May,	Baillieston.	To contain 40 per cent. of cottonseed oil, which is extraneous to dripping.
190	Sweet Milk, -	16th ,,	Mossend.	13 per cent. deficient in milk fat.

The rest of the samples were all certified to be genuine, with the exception of an informal sample of sweet milk certified to be deficient in milk fat to the extent of 5 per cent.

This informal sample was taken in course of delivery to a dairyman against whom an information had been lodged in the month of April. In view of the deficiency found in the sample taken on delivery, no further proceedings were taken against the dairyman. The Inspector, however, deemed it desirable to investigate more fully the quality of the milk produced by the individual cows in the herd. This led to twenty-four samples being taken and analysed in the Chemical Laboratory, and the information obtained will form a series in the milk-standard inquiry.

In connection with a complaint from a large retail dealer, two samples were taken on delivery, and on analysis both samples were certified to be genuine.

With regard to the samples of jam, the Public Analyst was unable to detect the presence of any extraneous fruit or seeds, and the samples of golden syrup were certified to be free from glucose. The samples of self-raising flour were certified to contain ·14, 7, 8, and 9 per cent. respectively of calcium sulphate, and are within the limit laid down by Dr. Hamill in his report to the Local Government Board. The sample of cream was received privately, and was supposed by the sender to contain some preservative or thickening matter. The Public Analyst, however, certified it to be free from either. It contained 18·80 per cent. of fat.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs.—One inspection was made during the month, and eight samples of fertilisers were procured formally, as follows:—

At Lesmahagow Railway Station, at the request of the Lesmahagow Dairy Farmers' Association, eight samples, viz.:—Sulphate of ammonia, kainit, 26 and 30 per cent., superphosphates, basic slag, turnip manure, nitrate of soda, and potash manure salts.

All the samples were analysed by the Agricultural Analyst, and were certified to be conform to the guarantees.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 116 samples were completed during the month, 20 being under *Rivers Pollution*, 9 under *Public Health*, and 32 under *Food and Drugs Acts*. The special samples amounted to 55.

Rivers Pollution.

Trade Effluents.—Coal washers, 10 samples, of which 7 were from Westwood Colliery, Murdostoun; 1 from Kepplehill Colliery; 1 from Stane Colliery; and 1 from Bardykes Colliery. Print Works:—1 sample of effluent from Glengowan Print Works. Paper Mills:—2 samples, 1 from Caldercruix and 1 from Moffat. Ammonia Works:—1 sample of spent liquor from Coltness Iron Works.

Streams.—North Calder, 6 samples taken in connection with pollution from Glengowan Print Works, Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills.

Public Health.

The following samples of water from private sources:—Water, Columbie Farm, Carstairs. Water, Princess Lodge, Dalserf. Proposed new supply, Columbie Farm, Carstairs.

The following samples from public supplies:—Glasford Clean Water Tank, 6 samples.

Food and Drugs.

Milk, 30 samples. Flour, 2 samples, found to contain 3·5 parts per million of nitrite as sodium nitrite.

Special Samples.

Glasford Clean Water Tank, 44 daily samples, examined for colour and alkalinity only. The contents of a dog's stomach and bowels were examined for poisonous substances, oxalic acid being found in considerable quantity. An investigation of the various methods of estimating free carbon in tar was carried out. Ten estimations, representing five methods, were made.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 425, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	... 229	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 37
Hospital Physicians,	... 127	Slaughter-house Staff,	... 10
Public Health Staff,	... 22		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—84.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	9	32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 52—	16	36	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	3	4	—	2	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	3*	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	3	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 32—	6	17	—	2	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 Eye Swab.

TYPHOID FEVER—38.

	Blood.							
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
Medical Practitioners—	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Upper Ward,	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 18—	5	13	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 2—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	14	—	—	—	—	2	—
Lower ,.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 18—	2	14	—	—	—	—	2	—

1 blood specimen from 1 member of the Hospital Staff treated with typhoid vaccine, and the details will be given in a future report.

TUBERCLE—172.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	2	18	—	—
Middle ,, ...	12	42	—	1*
Lower ,, ...	1	2	—	—
Total, 78—	15	62	—	1
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	6	1	—	—
Middle ,, ...	47	30	—	—
Lower ,, ...	4	4	—	—
Total, 92—	57	35	—	—
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	2	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 2	2	—	—	—

* 1 Urine.

9 specimens were subjected to the biological test, viz. :—1 urine received from Middle Ward medical practitioner, and 8 sputa received from Middle Ward Hospital Physicians. The former gave a negative result, and, of the latter, 2 gave positive results.

Miscellaneous Specimens—5.

Hairs for Ringworm.—From medical practitioner, Public Health Staff, and School Medical Staff, in the Lower Ward, 1 specimen from each was received, and all gave positive results. 1 specimen received from School Medical Staff in Upper Ward gave negative result.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave negative result.

Specimens from Animals—23.

Anthrax.—2 specimens of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon, taken from cases in the Upper Ward, gave positive results.

Deleterious micro-organisms.—1 specimen of milk received from veterinary surgeon in Upper Ward gave negative result.

The following specimens were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Acarus—From Upper Ward, 1 specimen of sheep's-wool gave positive result.

Tubercle.—From Upper Ward, 1 specimen. From Middle Ward, 2 specimens of cows' saliva gave negative results. From Middle Ward, 2 specimens of mucus from mouth of cows gave positive results, and 3 specimens of cows' nasal discharge and 1 of fæces gave negative results.

Milk for Tubercle.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	2	5	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	10	—	—	6
Lower ,,	1	1	—	—	—
Total, 20—	4	16	—	—	6

Specimens from Burgh Authorities and others—92.

	Typhoid.		Diphtheria		Phthisis.		Tubercle, other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
Burgh.	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton,...	—	2	—	2	2	13	—	—	—	—	2	3
Airdrie, ...	—	3	—	2	1	5	—	—	—	—	1	—
Coatbridge,	—	3	3	4	6	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rutherglen,	—	—	—	1	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	1	3	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	4	1
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 92	—	12	6	11	12	39	—	1	—	—	7	4

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	5	8	1	1
Coal-dross Washers, - -	27	58	4	11
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	2	2	2
Paper Mills, - - -	2	5	2	5
Distillery, - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	10	27	...	...
Streams, - -	23	60	18	...
Total, - -	68	160	27	19

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.											Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Baillieston.	Bellshill and Mossend.	Blantyre.	Carluke.	Coalburn and Brocketsbrae.	Crossford.	Holytown.	Kirkfieldbank.	Larkhall and Ferniegair.	Uddingston.	Burgh of Wishaw.			
Sweet Milk,	10	7	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	24	24	2
Cream,	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Butter,	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	3	...
Dripping,	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1
Self-raising Flour,	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	4	4	...
Demerara Sugar,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	2	...
Golden Syrup,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	2	...
Apple and Strawberry Jam,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Gooseberry and Raspberry Jam,	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...
Strawberry Jam,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Fluid Magnesia,	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Malt Vinegar,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...
Whisky,	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	12	11	5	1	...	...	3	...	2	4	7	45	45	3
Number of Shops, &c., Visited,	13	15	4	...	2	1	13	1	8	5	24	86	...	...

Informal samples, sweet milk, 9; cream, 1; butter, 2; fluid magnesia, 1.
,, ,, procured by means of an agent, sweet milk, 8; butter, 2.
Samples taken on delivery, sweet milk, 3; malt vinegar, 1.
,, received privately, cream, 1.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 20th June, 1913.

J. T. W.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th September, 1913, being a meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 24th September, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.	Robert Lambie.
J. Raeside Auld.	Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart, M.V.O.
James Cameron.	William Love.
George Fraser.	D. Kinloch Michie.
James H. Fenton.	William Neilson.
Alexander Hamilton.	

William Speirs.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd July, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There were laid before the meeting reports by the County Medical Officer under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for the months of June, July, and August (Appendices I., II., and III.), prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Reports by County Medical Officer for June, July, and August.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted copies of communications (Appendix IV.) received from the several District Committees in regard to the appointment of Assistant Medical Officers of Health, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Appointment of Assistant Medical Officer.—Communications from District Committees.*

The meeting, after consideration, unanimously agreed to recommend the County Council, in accordance with the communications made by the District Committees of the Upper and Lower Wards, to appoint as Medical Officers of Health for the County, Mr. James R. Adam, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., presently Assistant Tuberculosis Officer, Leith, and Mr. Robert Richards, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Aberdeen, the salary in each case to be £300 per annum, the appointments to be subject to the provisions of Section 54 (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and to the same conditions as apply in the case of other Assistant County Medical Officers.

The meeting, having considered the communication received from the District Committee of the Middle Ward, agreed that it be continued for further consideration, and, on a division, that a special meeting of the committee be convened for Wednesday next, to receive a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee reporting the decision of the District Committee.

With reference to the actions raised against the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge, the Clerk reported that the Sheriff had now pronounced Interlocutors in both actions, allowing the defenders until 11th October to lodge objections, and the County Council, if so advised, to lodge answers thereto within 14 days thereafter, and had continued the cases on the Roll until 31st October next. *Rivers Pollution.—Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge.*

The Clerk at the same time submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Coatbridge, inquiring whether the County Council proposed to co-operate with the Town Council in promoting a joint-scheme with a view to the Brewsterford District being included.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to reply that the question of what area should be included within the proposed scheme of purification was one entirely for the consideration and determination of the Local Authorities concerned, and that this committee could not allow a settlement of this question as between these authorities to cause further delay in the Court dealing with the present case in usual course.

Rivers Pollution.—Burgh of Motherwell.

With reference to the Burgh of Motherwell, the Clerk reported that, in accordance with the instructions of the committee at a previous meeting, a communication had been addressed to Mr. Carter, the Referee, pointing out the delay which had occurred on the part of the Burgh of Motherwell in implementing the Order of the Court, and inquiring if he could now report upon the position of matters. Following upon this, Mr. Carter transmitted an interim report, a copy of which the Clerk submitted, which came before Sheriff Shennan, at Hamilton, on 29th July last, when the whole circumstances were explained to his Lordship. After the hearing, the Sheriff pronounced an Interlocutor, allowing parties to state objections to the report before 3rd October next. The meeting approved of draft objections, the purport of which had been explained by the Clerk, and authorised the same to be lodged.

Rivers Pollution.—Burgh of Hamilton.

There was submitted a letter from the County Medical Officer, of date 14th August, complaining of serious pollution of the Park Burn and River Clyde by discharges from the Burgh of Hamilton's Park Burn Sewage Works, and transmitting copy of a letter which he had addressed to the Town-Clerk on the subject, and also the Town-Clerk's reply, stating that on no account would any further quantities of sludge be allowed to enter the burn.

With regard to the question generally, the meeting instructed the Clerk to write to the Town Council of Hamilton again, urging upon them the necessity for at once proceeding with purification works for dealing with the sewage of that portion of the Burgh still remaining to be treated.

Pollution of Calder.—Complaint by Messrs. James Dunlop & Co.

With reference to the complaint submitted to a previous meeting, from Messrs. James Dunlop & Company, as to the pollution of the Calder, the County Medical Officer reported that new settling tanks had just been brought into operation at the Moffat Paper Mills, and that, as a result, there had been a considerable improvement in the condition of the stream.

Pollution of Coal Burn by Dalquhandy Colliery.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had been in communication with Messrs. Robert Waddell & Son with regard to the pollution of the Coal Burn arising from their Dalquhandy Colliery, and he submitted their reply, stating that they had instructed their Manager to see that the necessary steps were taken to prevent pollution in future.

Pollution of Coal Burn at Lintfieldbank.

The Clerk stated that complaints having been received of the pollution of the Coal Burn by the deposit of ashes and other rubbish by householders at Lintfieldbank, he had caused warning notices to be posted up in the district.

Rivers Pollution.—Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.

There was laid before the meeting further reports from the County Medical Officer, of dates 10th July and 23rd September, in regard to the pollution of the South Calder arising from the Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.

The meeting, in view of the continued unsatisfactory position of matters with reference to the collieries in question, instructed the Clerk to transmit copies of the reports to the Secretary for Scotland, requesting his further consideration of the application made by the County Council for his consent to the institution of proceedings against the owners of these collieries, and to state that what is really desiderated is an Order of the Court which would enable the County Council to deal effectively with the Company and compel them to lay down satisfactory works and to operate them efficiently.

Reference having also been made to the pollution of the South Calder by spent ammonical liquor from the Shotts Iron Works, the meeting instructed the Clerk to again communicate with the proprietors of these works on the subject.

Pollution of South Calder.—Shotts Iron Works.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a statement showing the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts since the date of last meeting, as follows:—

Food and Drugs.—Results of Prosecutions.

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecutions.
John Whiteford. Dairyman, Annsfield Dairy, Eddlewood, Hamilton.	Sweet milk deficient in milk fat 17 per cent.	Pled guilty, and fined £3 or 14 days.
Mrs. Eliza Gardner, Farmer and Milk Purveyor, Wittagreen Farm, Newarthill.	Sweet milk deficient in milk fat 11 per cent.	Pled guilty, and fined 10s. or 5 days.

With reference to the case of William Fleming, the circumstances of which were reported to a former meeting of the committee, the Clerk stated that, as authorised, he had taken the opinion of Counsel, who advised that the Appeal should be proceeded with, and that steps were accordingly being taken with this end in view. The meeting approved.

Case of William Fleming.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from Charles J. Cooper, Spindleside Farm, Cleland, intimating a claim for the loss of a young bullock, which was alleged to have died from having partaken of water polluted by sewage. The Clerk stated that, in reply to the communication, he had denied liability, and the meeting approved. On the suggestion of the County Medical Officer, it was agreed that the attention of the Middle Ward District Committee should be drawn to the complaint.

Claim by Charles James Cooper, Spindleside Farm, Cleland, for loss of young bullock.

The Clerk laid before the meeting communications which he had received from—

(1) William Aitken, Harthill, Lanarkshire, of date 7th July; and
(2) Joseph Sullivan, Harthill, Lanarkshire, of date 9th July;

directing the attention of the County Council to the necessity of putting into operation the powers conferred upon Local Authorities to provide sufficient and suitable housing accommodation for people residing in the districts of West Benhar, Eastfield, and Harthill.

As relative thereto, the Clerk submitted a communication from the County Medical Officer giving information on the subject, and stating that the matter was receiving the careful attention of the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

The meeting, in view of the report by the County Medical Officer, did not consider it necessary for the County Council to intervene at this stage.

Housing Accommodation.—Representation by ratepayers in West Benhar, Eastfield, and Harthill.

There was submitted to the meeting an Order in Council, dated 24th June last, closing the Burial Ground in the Old Parish Churchyard at Shettleston.

Order in Council closing Old Parish Churchyard, Shettleston.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

JUNE, 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

122 inspections and visits of enquiry were made, 28 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
	June	
Mount Vernon Chemical Work,	9th	* Discharge of waste lime or chalk to Tollcross Burn. Remedied.
Gilbertfield Colliery, - -	10th	* Pipes between collecting tank and bing settling area disconnected.
Stane Colliery, - - -	11th	Discharge from silted-up settling pond. Remedial measures in progress.
Moffat Paper Mill, - -	27th	Discoloured and turbid discharge.

* Reported at Company's Office.

Trade Pollutions.

Mount Vernon Chemical Works.—On 7th June deposits of waste lime or chalk were found in the bed of the Tollcross Burn near these Works, and on inquiry it was ascertained that, owing to a defect in the drain conveying the waste into a disused mine from the plant connected with the production of caustic soda, a discharge had entered the burn and caused pollution. In order to prevent a continuance of the pollution, the Company have had a bore put down the disused mine at a new point, and have connected the drain from the plant in question directly with it. The course of the burn so far as affected by sludge deposits is to be cleaned out.

Gilbertfield Colliery.—Owing to disconnection of the pipes between the collecting tank and the bing settling area, a serious pollution was detected on 16th June. The pollution was at once brought to the notice of the Colliery Manager, when the defect was repaired.

Kepplehill and Stane Colleries.—The new settling pond at Kepplehill Colliery is in full use now, and so far is being carefully operated. An alternative settling pond is in course of being enlarged and cleaned out. At Stane Colliery, where serious pollution was detected on the 11th June, the large settling pond, which has been in course of emptying and repairs, was completed and brought into use on 20th June. It is understood that the Inspector from the Scottish Office visited both collieries on this date, and secured samples for analyses.

Gateside Colliery.—It has to be reported that the improvements promised have been practically completed, and deal with the repair and enlargement of emergency settling ponds, while direct connection with the stream is now cut off. At this colliery it may be noted that the pit water contains as high as 117 parts per 100,000 suspended solids, and renders the stream turbid and dark in appearance. The discharge being water in the same condition as that in which it has been raised from the mine, cannot be dealt with under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Act.

Baton Colliery.—At this colliery, a large settling area is being provided, and will be brought into use shortly.

Moffat Paper Mill.—The new tanks are almost fully completed, and are expected to be in use early in July.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Burgh of Wishaw.—Inspection was made of the sewage irrigation works at Carbarns. The discharge appeared to represent crude sewage for the most part, but owing to the large volume of water in the River Clyde, the polluting effect was not so marked as it might have been had the river been in normal flow.

Lower Ward Sewage Works.—Further inspections were made of the sewage works at Bishopbriggs, Chryston and Muirhead, and Stepps in connection with the alterations made on the working of the distribution trays. So far the results are satisfactory, but further observations are being carried out.

Douglas.—An inspection was made of the sewage outfalls to the Douglas Water. The sewage tank situated near the gas-works was cleaned out during the month.

Douglas West.—A further inspection was made of the proposed outfall for the sewage from the houses to be erected here.

Thankerton Sewage Disposal.—A further inspection was also made at Thankerton, in connection with the question of sewage disposal, when six samples of effluents and three other samples were taken for examination.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions, 31 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

River Almond.—A complaint, received from the Bathgate District Committee Clerk, regarding pollution from coal-dross washers within Lanarkshire, was inquired into and reported upon to the effect that evidence of

intermittent pollution from either Fortrigg or Hassockrigg Collieries, Shotts, had been detected. The attention of the Colliery Officials has been drawn to this. At Fortrigg Colliery the settling ponds are to be cleaned out, while at Hassockrigg Colliery a connection between the collecting well and the pit-water outfall drain is to be removed.

North Calder.—Reference was made in the report for May that a series of samples had been taken for analysis from the upper reach of this stream. These analyses have been completed during the month, and will be specially reported upon after the new settling tanks provided at Moffat Paper Mill have been in operation for a short time.

Pow Burn, at Uddingston.—In connection with a complaint which appeared in the local press alleging serious pollution of the Pow Burn, special inspections were made by the Medical Officer and staff of the stream and its various sources of pollution. Eighteen samples were taken at various points in the course of the stream from Bothwell Park Colliery to near its junction with the River Clyde, and the results of the inquiries made were reported by the Medical Officer to a special meeting of the local drainage sub-committee.

Pollution by Solid Matter.—Special inspections were made into pollutions of the Rivers Clyde and Nethan by solid matter in the vicinity of Kirkfieldbank and Crossford respectively.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 109, and 37 samples, including 8 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these, 33 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 4 in the Chemical Laboratory.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine case, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date Pnrchased.	Locality where Purchased.	Certified.
243	Sweet Milk, -	27th June.	Newarthill.	7 per cent. deficient in milk fat.

The rest of the samples were all certified to be genuine.

Of the informal samples, 4 sweet milks and 1 butter were procured by means of agents—the former from suspected dairymen, and the latter from a provision cart known to be selling margarine for butter. Further samples will be procured.

The samples reported in Table III. as dripping, rendered suet, beef suet, and marrow fat, all refer to the same article sold under different names for the fat from rendered beef or mutton. They were all certified genuine with the exception of the marrow fat, which was certified of doubtful purity, but the Public Analyst is unable to certify that it is not genuine. Dripping adulterated with a large percentage of cottonseed oil is stocked by some grocers and fishmongers, but it can only be sold as cooking fat, kitchen fee, or some other non-specific name.

With regard to the samples of jam, the Public Analyst was unable to detect the presence of any extraneous fruit or seeds.

Milk Standard.—In connection with this inquiry, 120 samples were taken and analysed.

Margarine Contraventions.—Five offences were detected, but as they related to the temporary want of labelling and margarine wrappers, verbal cautions were given.

Margarine.—Attention is called to the words used in advertising the sale of margarine by large firms owning multiple shops throughout the County. Thus one advertisement states, "*Nuts and milk* make the world-renowned Maypole Margarine," and another, "To buyers of margarine overweight, *made with nuts and cream.*" As these words, "nuts and milk" and "nuts and cream," seemed misleading, I asked the Public Analyst to determine, so far as he could, the composition of a particular sample of margarine purchased from one of the above sources. Messrs. Tatlock & Thomson have made a fuller examination of the sample than usual, and from the results obtained conclude "that the following is the approximate composition of the fat of the sample of margarine:—

Cocoanut Oil, - - - - - -	45 per cent.
Cottonseed Oil. - - - - -	35 ,,
Animal (including Butter) Fat, - -	20 ,,
	100

The analysts add, "This result would be the highest figure possible for cocoanut oil" in this sample, having regard to the details of analysis, which were as follows:—

Soluble Volatile Acids, - - - - -	6·1
Insoluble ,, ,, (Polenske Number), -	6·0
Iodine Value, per cent., - - - - -	54·18
Saponification Value, per cent., - - -	22·43
Unsaponification Matter, per cent., - - -	·65

Looking now at the terms of the advertisements, I think it would be admitted that the words used are misleading. Nuts refer to cocoanuts, and there is no doubt a large quantity of oil expressed from these nuts used. This oil, I believe, costs about 48s. to 54s. per ton. It is difficult to understand, however, where the milk and the cream comes in, unless the statement refers to the use of a small percentage of milk with which the margarine fats may be finally treated. No reference is made in the advertisement to the use of cottonseed oil in the preparation of the margarine, and yet it forms about one-third of the material used, and is no doubt the cheapest constituent, costing about 34s. per ton. Cottonseed oil is expressed from cotton seed, and has long been used for commercial purposes, and the seed itself is an important foodstuff for cattle. Animal fat is also present in the margarine, and from a vegetarian point of view a purchaser would be prejudiced.

In a recent number of "The Grocer and Oil Trade Review" (July 5th) some account is given of a civil action in an English County Court, where the subject of dispute was the quality and value of cocoanut oil used for making margarine. The action was on the grounds of the oil having a nasty taste and smell and not being neutral. The stuff tasted like sour nuts and was not fit to make margarine of the best quality, and it seemed to deteriorate the longer it was kept. It may be of interest to quote the following evidence of one of the witnesses:—

"The oil was used to make margarine, and for that purpose should be of very good quality. Fats, *per se*, had no taste or smell. When they were used they would absorb the flavour of the material put into them. If into

that fat was introduced a milk culture, it assumed the flavour of butter and became margarine. There were other things used in the manufacture of margarine, but the principal ingredient was milk. Substitutes had to be found for beef fat, and one of these was cocoanut oil, made out of copra, the kernel of the cocoanut. To make that, the cocoanuts were split and left in the sun. The milk was thrown away and the kernel allowed to dry in the sun, and it was from the copra that the cocoanut oil was manufactured. It should be absolutely neutral—have neither taste nor smell—and then it could safely be used for edible purposes, and to receive milk culture."

Complaint of milk turning thick and ropy.—A sample of milk was received from a retail dairyman in the County, who stated that his customers complained that he was putting cornflour into the milk. The sample was examined by the Bacteriologist, who found that the milk was of slimy consistence, readily pulled out into long strings, and from the bacteria present that it must have been contaminated with dirt. The Inspector visited the dairy and found that the milk-house was badly ventilated, and had a sour, disagreeable smell largely emanating from several large cans full of sour, thickened milk, which the dairyman stated had been accumulating owing to its unsaleable condition as it came from the farmer. A sample of the milk was procured from the dairyman's cart in Mossend, and on examination in the Bacteriological Laboratory was found to quickly turn thick and ropy and to contain dirt organisms. A re-inspection was made to the dairy premises a fortnight later. The same conditions prevailed, and the dairyman stated he had stopped the supply from the farm concerned. A visit was then made on the same day to the farm, and the farmer's wife interviewed. She stated that the dairyman had been very irregular in his times for lifting the milk, and that she had been forced, through lack of proper receptacles, to empty the whole of the milk supply (about 12 gallons) into a wooden hand-churn, about 4 feet high by 18 inches in diameter, and to this she attributed the souring of the milk. This churn was standing in the milk-house at the time of inspection, containing the previous morning's milk, which was apparently quite sour and thick. The Inspector arranged for a sample from this churn, together with a sample of the evening's milk immediately on milking, to be brought to the Bacteriological Laboratory. Both samples were kept for a day or so, but the Bacteriologist was of opinion that the thickening of these samples was due to lactic acid fermentation. The farmer's wife said she would immediately rectify the matter so far as she was concerned by providing proper receptacles for the milk.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration.

Case No. 172.—A sample of dripping certified to contain 40 per cent. of cottonseed oil, which is extraneous to dripping. Before this case came to the Court for proof, it was discovered that, by mistake, the Public Analyst had transposed the numbers of this genuine sample and another non-genuine sample of dripping procured on the same day. All the necessary arrangements were at once made, therefore, to acknowledge the mistake and have the case withdrawn.

Case No. 190.—A sample of sweet milk certified to be deficient in milk fat 13 per cent. On 24th June the case came before Sheriff Shennan, in Hamilton, when the respondent admitted the offence and could not explain how the deficiency occurred. A penalty of £2 was imposed, the alternative being ten days' imprisonment.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.—With reference to the informal sample of basic slag reported in April, some correspondence took place with the seller of the slag regarding the form of the warranty in the invoice, which was as follows, viz.:—"containing 22 per cent. phosphate of lime insoluble." This is the first case since the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, came into force, that this form of warranty has been met with. The general practice is to warrant the percentage of phosphates in a 2 per cent. solution of citric acid, which is the nearest approach to water as a solvent of the phosphates present in basic slag. This ensures that the phosphates are such as can be readily assimiliated by plant life. The correspondence was sent to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, with a covering letter asking for their guidance in the matter. The Board's reply is as follows, viz.:—

"Adverting to your letter of 13th instant, I am directed by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland to point out that in Section 10 of the above Act the expressions 'soluble' and 'insoluble' are defined as meaning respectively soluble and insoluble in water, or, if so specified in the invoice, in a solution of citric acid or other solvent of the proscribed strength.

"No obligation is laid on the vendor of basic slag to state the percentage of citric soluble phosphates in the slag, but it is the practice of vendors of high-class slag to state their guarantees in this form. The method of stating guarantees in terms of insoluble phosphate only has, in recent years, been adopted by firms who deal in low-grade slags, and especially slags having a low degree of citric solubility."

The form of warranty seems, therefore, to be in order.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 144 samples were completed during the month, 11 being under *Rivers Pollution*, 5 under *Public Health*, and 120 under *Food and Drugs Acts*. 8 special samples were also examined.

Rivers Pollution.

Trade Effluents.—1 sample of effluent from Gilbertfield Colliery.

Streams.—Pow Burn, 8 samples; Myres Burn, 1 sample; and 1 sample of sludge from Pow Burn were specially examined in connection with complaint of offensive odours arising from the Pow Burn.

Public Health.

The following samples of water from private sources:—Tile drain north of Whitecraigs Farm, Glasford; pump in boiler-house, Whitecraigs Farm, Glasford; well, Lady Mary Lodge, Quarter; water, Woolfords Colliery; and well opposite Co-operative Store, Carstairs Village.

Food and Drugs.

Milk, 120 samples. These samples were all taken in connection with the investigation as to the variations in the composition of cow's milk, 62 being from High Merryton Farm and 58 from Newton Farm.

Special Samples.

Tar, 8 samples; Air, 2 samples. These samples of air were taken from houses in Morningside Square, and were specially examined for amount of carbonic acid gas. Trout.—The viscera of two trout were specially examined for presence of tar acids, but no reaction for such substances was obtained. These fish were received together with complaint from the Strathaven District Angling Association, alleging poisoning by washings from tar-sprayed roads.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 479, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners, -	207	Veterinary Surgeons, - -	8
Hospital Physicians -	194	Slaughter-house Staff, -	2
Public Health Staff, -	67	Constabulary Staff, - -	1

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—172.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contract.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	10	23	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 48—	16	31	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	8	22	1	5	20	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	21	20	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 103—	29	42	3	5	20	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	1	10	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 21	2	14	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TYPHOID FEVER—51.

	Blood.									
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.			
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o		
Medical Practitioners—										
Upper Ward,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Middle Ward,	2	13	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Total, 16—	2	14	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Hospital Physicians—										
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Total, —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Public Health Staff—										
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Middle Ward,	6	25	—	—	—	—	2	2		
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Total, 35—	6	25	—	—	—	—	2	2		

TUBERCLE—156.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	2	9	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	14	30	—	3*
Lower Ward, ...	3	5	—	—
Total, 66—	19	44	—	3
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	3	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	49	26	—	—
Lower Ward, ...	8	3	—	—
Total, 90—	58	32	—	—
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—

* 1 Urine, 1 Pus, 1 Pleuritic Fluid.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—10.

Hairs for Ringworm.—From School Medical Staff, in the Middle Ward, 2 specimens were received, one of which gave positive result.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—5 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff, 2 of which gave positive results.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—1 fæces and 1 sputum received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave positive result in the latter, and 1 urine received from Middle Ward Hospital gave negative result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—17.

Actinomycosis.—1 specimen palate of cow received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave positive result.

Deleterious micro-organisms.—4 specimens of milk received from Public Health Staff in Middle Ward, 2 of which gave positive results.

Tubercle.—1 specimen of palate of heifer received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave positive result.

Poison.—1 carcase of dog received from Middle Ward Constabulary gave positive result; 2 trout received from Angling Association in Middle Ward gave negative result.

The following specimens, under the Tuberculosis Order, were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Upper Ward, 1 specimen of muco-purulent material and 1 of nasal discharge of cows gave negative results.

Middle Ward, 1 specimen of saliva of cow and 1 of lung of cow gave negative results.

Lower Ward, 2 specimens of muco-purulent material from cows gave positive results.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	—	1	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	1	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 2—	1	1	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—73.

	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
Burgh.	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton, ...	—	—	2	4	2	5	—	—	—	—	2	18
Airdrie, ...	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge, ...	—	1	1	4	1	8	—	1	—	—	—	—
Rutherglen,	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	—	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	1	1
Biggar, ...	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 73—	1	3	3	10	11	22	—	1	—	—	3	19

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, - -	4	7	...	1
Coal-dross Washers, - -	19	34	1	2
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	...	...	...	...
Paper Mills, - - - -	2	2	...	1
Distillery, - - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	11	15	9	...
Streams, - - - -	31	64	18	...
Total, - -	67	122	28	4

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.															Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Baillieston, Easterhouse, Swinton, and West Maryston.	Bishopbriggs and Lambhill.	Blantyre.	Cambusiang.	Carnbroe.	Carfin and Newarthill.	Crossford.	Douglas.	Kirkfieldbank.	Larkhall.	Mossend.	New Stevenston.	Tannochside, Thorniewood, and Aitkenhead.	Uddingston.	Burgh of Wishaw.			
Sweet Milk, - -	5	1	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	16	16	1
Butter, - - -	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...
Fresh Butter, - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Margarine, - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Dripping, - -	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	6	6	...
Rendered Suet, -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...
Beef Suet, - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Marrow Fat, - -	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Pure Olive Oil, -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Black Currant Jam,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	2	...
Raspberry Jam, -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Linseed Meal, -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Gregory's Mixture, -	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	8	1	...	...	...	8	...	3	...	2	2	2	3	1	7	37	37	1
Number of Shops, &c., Visited.	11	7	21	2	3	13	3	7	3	7	3	2	4	6	17	109	...	...

Margarine Contraventions—Blantyre, 3; West Maryston, 2.
Informal Samples—Sweet Milk, 4; Butter, 1; Margarine, 1; Dripping, 1; Olive Oil, 1.
Informal Samples—Procured by means of an agent—Sweet Milk, 4; Buttter, 1.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *24th July*, 1913.

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APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

JULY. 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS. &C.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

108 inspections and visits of enquiry were made, 26 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
Shotts Iron Works, - -	3rd, 8th, and 26th	*Intermittent and accidental pollution.
Baton Colliery, - - -	8th and 24th	*Defective outlet in new pond.
Dechmont Colliery, - -	9th	*Slight pollution, pond defective.
Kepplehill ,, - -	24th	†Evidence of recent pollution.
Tannochside ,, - -	16th	*Overflow from silt-recovery tank. Remedied.
Westwood ,, - -	10th	*Direct discharge to South Calder. Remedied.
Moffat Paper Mill, - -	4th and 30th	Coloured pollution.

* Reported at Company's office. † Reported to County Clerk.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Shotts Iron Works.—It has to be reported that intermittent pollutions are occurring at these works, affecting the South Calder. The discharges occur at times when it is difficult to be at the works, particularly at the week-ends. Pollutions have been complained of and detected, however, on the following dates this month:—

Saturday, 12th.—Stream highly discoloured and frothy between 9 and 11 a.m., ascertained by inquiry.

Sunday, 13th.—Pollution distinct between 9 and 10 a.m., ascertained by inquiry.

Thursday, 25th.—Pollution marked between 8 and 9 p.m. Detected.

Saturday, 26th —Distinct pollution between 11 a.m. and 12 noon. Detected.

As regards the pollution on 26th July, inspection was made at the works and the cause of pollution ascertained to be due to the bursting of a trap on a seal-box on the main gas-tube. This box stands about ten feet high from the ground level.

It was explained that the box was half-full of liquor, and, of course, when the accident occurred the liquor poured out on to the ground surface, finding its way to the stream by surface drains. Evidence of this was quite distinct and may be taken as explaining the cause of pollution.

So far as the pollutions on the other dates are concerned, the foreman can offer no explanation of their occurrence; indeed, he was not aware of pollution taking place. There are, however, two points where pollution might take place—namely (1) at the spent liquor storage boilers or cooling tanks, and (2) at the feed-boiler or tank near the steam boilers. Underground, here, there is said to be an iron tank for the purpose of collecting the overflow from the feed-boiler. This underground tank is connected with a pump so that it can be emptied into a series of sand-pits, but it also is said to have a connection direct with the stream. Pollution need not occur at the works, as the remedial measures for the collection and disposal of the spent liquor are sufficient.

Baton Colliery.—The large settling-area, which has been in course of construction for some time, has now been brought into operation. Pollution detected was due to the outlet being defective. This is to be repaired so as to prevent further pollution.

Dechmont Colliery.—Owing to an extension of the pit-refuse bing the settling-area has, meantime, been curtailed, whereby the discharge from it is slightly turbid as entering the burn. The Company have arranged for the construction of an additional pond.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—Since the Company communicated with the Scottish Office, on 24th February last, indicating their intention to provide specific remedial measures for the prevention of pollution, regular inspections have been made from time to time. These show that the measures promised by the Company have been partially carried out, as reported by the Inspector of the Scottish Office, from which a communication has been received by the County Clerk. The present position at each colliery is as follows:—

(*a*) *Kepplehill Colliery.*—The Company promised to have the two existing ponds cleaned out, enlarged, and provided with properly-constructed sluices. One pond was started to be cleaned out on or about 27th February last and was completed on 5th May. The second pond was started on 11th June and completed on 20th July, with the exception of the rebuilding of the sluice outfall.

(*b*) *Stane Colliery.*—The Company promised to have the two existing ponds cleaned out and provided with properly-constructed sluices. One pond was started to be cleaned out and was completed on 21st June. It is understood that the Company do not intend cleaning out the second pond as promised. They have instead arranged for the provision of a settling-area on the pit-refuse bing, from which the treated effluent will be conveyed to the pond which has just been cleaned out.

Generally speaking, at these collieries the ponds will rapidly fill up, and in order to keep them in good working condition they would require to be thoroughly cleaned out in turn every four months. This is no doubt due to the fact that the coal dross carries a very high percentage of dirt and clay.

Further, while the provision and completion of the remedial measures so far may present reason why the Secretary for Scotland should withhold his consent to the initiation of proceedings against the Kepplehill Coal Company, observations should at least be continued by the Scottish Office Inspector before finally disposing of the application by the County Council, as pollution has again to be reported, occurring on or about 24th July at Kepplehill, where the new pond is two-thirds full. The cause of this pollution is quite apparently due to carelessness on the part of the employee in charge neglecting to lift or close the sluice of the pond after releasing the top water.

Tannochside Colliery.—The pollution from the silt-recovery tank was detected after working operations had ceased for the day. The employee in charge had neglected to pump the contents of the tank to the bing settling-area.

Westwood Colliery.—For some time three large settling-areas have been in course of formation on the pit refuse bing. These have been completed and are now in use.

Moffat Paper Mill.—The remedial measures, comprising eighteen large settling-tanks, have been fully completed, and were brought into use towards the close of the month with satisfactory results. Further particulars of the remedial measures in use will be given in a report which is in course of preparation as to the general condition of the North Calder.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Burgh of Motherwell—Coursington Sewage Works.—These works were inspected and found to be working satisfactorily, the discharge from the filters being clear.

Bishopbriggs Sewage Works.—Inspection was made at these works on 7th July, when the improvement of the effluent resulting from the alteration in the distribution trays was found to be still maintained.

Thankerton Sewage Disposal.—Further inspections were made by the Medical Officer and Rivers Inspector in connection with the question of sewage disposal, especially with reference to the disposal of whey produced at the Creamery. Seven samples were taken at these inspections. Further inspections have also been made in the current month, and a special note on this matter will be made in the report for August.

Kirkmuirhill Sewage Disposal.—An inspection was made in connection with a claim in respect of the death of a cow and quey, alleged to have been due to drinking sewage discharged on to the tile-work field at Kirkmuirhill. The question of a special drainage area for the district is to be considered.

Douglas West.—A special inspection of the new mine drainage outfall was made during the month in view of a complaint of pollution. The means taken to prevent pollution of a small stream which flows through grazing lands were found to be insufficient, and representations were made to The Wilsons & Clyde Co., who have agreed to adopt the suggestion of the Rivers Inspector to provide satisfactory means to purify the pit water and to convey the effluent in a pipe direct to the Douglas Water. It has also been suggested that such a pipe would be a suitable outfall for the effluent from the sewage works to be provided for the drainage from the new houses.

STREAMS.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions, 26 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

North Calder.—At present, with the long period of drought, the full deleterious effect of the sewage pollutions from the Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge is very distinct on this stream, particularly near Kirkwood; while at various points where the North and South burns are open under highway bridges within the burghs, one would not hesitate to regard the streams as constituting a nuisance.

South Calder.—At the four collieries on the upper reach of this stream at which serious pollution was occurring, improved and additional remedial measures have been provided. Intermittent pollution of spent liquor has been again detected—see notes on trade pollutions.

Lade at New Mills.—This lade is fed from the South Calder on the lands of Hartwood, and is in course of being cleaned by the lessee of the mill. He is experiencing considerable difficulty in doing so on account of the deposits of coal sludge, due to pollutions from collieries. He has, however, noted an improvement on the Calder lately.

Rumbling Sike Burn.—The lower reach of this stream before its junction with the Dalziel or Whinney Burn has been cleaned out and is now running clear.

Swinstie Burn.—Inquiry and inspection were made in connection with a complaint by the occupant of Swinstie Farm regarding sewage pollution. Two sewage outfalls enter the stream from Bellside and Omoa which cause serious pollution. There is no trade pollution as alleged by the complainer.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 22, and 15 samples, including 9 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these, 11 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 4 in the Chemical Laboratory.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date Purchased.	Locality Where Purchased.	Certified.
250	Sweet Milk,	3rd July,	Cadzow,	17 per cent. deficient in milk fat.
259	Do.,	12th July	Newarthill,	11 per cent. deficient in milk fat.

Sample No. 259 was procured by means of an agent from the same dairy as the non-genuine sample No. 243 reported last month. After the sampling was completed it was found that the sample had been supplied from a basin of milk set out for creaming. There was a layer of cream on the top, and the vendor had measured out the milk from the edge of the basin in such a manner that the layer of cream on the top was not disturbed. The inspector mixed the contents of the basin thoroughly and took an informal sample. This sample was certified to be genuine, the analysis being—milk fat, 3·20 per cent.; milk solids other than fat, 8·50 per cent. Thus the method of supplying the milk accounts for the deficiency in sample No. 259.

Of the two informal samples of cream taken, one was certified to contain 9·60 per cent. of fat and the other 12·60 per cent. of fat. The former was also certified to be coloured with annatto.

The two samples of butter were taken informally—one from a grocer regarding whom complaints had been made, and the other from a provision van. On analysis both were certified to be margarine. Arrangements will be made to procure formal samples by means of agents. The analyses, showing the approximate composition of the fat in the samples are as follows, viz.:—

	Grocer.	Provision Van.
Cocoanut Oil, - - - -	65 per cent.	40 per cent.
Cottonseed Oil, - - -	15 ,,	35 ,,
Butter Fat, - - - - -	2 ,,	2 ,,
Other Animal Fat, - - -	18 ,,	23 ,,

Margarine Contraventions.—Two offences were detected, viz., the sale of the above-mentioned samples of margarine as butter in plain wrappers.

Milk Standard.—In connection with this inquiry, 335 samples were taken and analysed.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration:—

Case No. 86.—A sample of sweet milk, certified to be deficient in milk fat 9 per cent. On 19th June this case was heard before Sheriff Shennan in Hamilton, and, owing to a technical objection, which was sustained by the Sheriff, this case was dismissed. A case has been stated to the High Court of Justiciary upon the point of law raised.

Cases Nos. 243 and 259.—Samples of sweet milk, certified to be deficient in milk fat, 7 and 11 per cent. respectively. On 12th August, case No. 25 was heard before Honorary Sheriff-Substitute Barr in Hamilton, when an agent appeared on respondent's behalf and stated that the offence had been committed inadvertently through failing to mix the milk in the vessel from which the purchase was taken. The Sheriff imposed a modified penalty of ten shillings, the alternative being five days' imprisonment.

Case No. 250.—A sample of sweet milk, certified to be deficient in milk fat 17 per cent. This case was heard before the same Court as the preceding case. Respondent pled guilty, and offered no explanation of the offence. The Sheriff imposed a penalty of £3, the alternative being fourteen days' imprisonment.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 420 samples were completed during the month, 17 being under *Rivers Pollution*, 10 under *Public Health*, and 340 under *Food and Drugs Acts*. There were also 57 special samples.

Rivers Pollution.

Sewage Works.—11 samples from Thankerton. These samples consisted of 5 samples of crude sewage, 5 samples of tank effluent, and 1 sample of effluent after irrigation. Special attention was paid to the degree of acidity arising from the lactic acid fermentation of whey discharged to the sewer from Thankerton Creamery.

Trade Effluents.—1 sample of pit water, and 1 sample of coal-dross washings from Gateside Colliery, Cambuslang. 1 sample of pit water from Douglas West Colliery. 1 sample of whey from Thankerton Creamery.

Streams.—1 sample from Gateside Burn, Cambuslang, specially examined for suspended solids. 1 sample from South Calder, near Bonkle, specially examined for phenols.

Public Health.

Two samples of water from private supplies, viz.:—Well, known as Haddow's Well, Carstairs Village; and well opposite blacksmith's shop, Carstairs Village.

The following samples from public supplies:—Clean-water tank, Glasford Filters, 8 samples.

Food and Drugs.

340 samples of milk were analysed; of these, 4 were received privately and 336 were examined in connection with investigation as to the variation in the composition of cow's milk.

Special Samples.

Clean-water tank, Glasford Filters—56 daily samples examined for colour and alkalinity only. 1 sample of tar received from Mr. Spittal, District Offices, Hamilton.

BACTERIOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 440, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens,* as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	198	Veterinary Surgeons,	10
Hospital Physicians,	225	Slaughter-house Staff,	1
Public Health Staff,	6		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—131.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	p
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	15	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	3	18*	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—
Lower Ward,	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 61—	19	38	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	—	9	2	—	9	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	22	13	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 70—	25	25	9	—	9	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 Ear Swab.

TYPHOID FEVER—35.

	Blood. Widal. +	Widal. o	Culture. +	Culture. o	Fæces. +	Fæces. o	Urine. +	Urine. o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	1	5	—	—	—	1	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 7—	1	5	—	—	—	1	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	4	5	—	—	1	6	—	9
Lower Ward,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 26—	5	5	—	—	1	6	—	9
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 2—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—

4 Blood Specimens from 1 Member of the Hospital Staff treated with typhoid vaccine, and the details will be given in a future report.

TUBERCLE—168.

	Sputa. +	Sputa. o	Miscellaneous. +	Miscellaneous. o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	5	10	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	4	24	—	—
Lower Ward, ...	1	1	—	—
Total, 45—	10	35	—	—
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	2	2	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	59	33	1*	1*
Lower Ward, ...	16	8	—	—
Total, 122—	77	43	1	1
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	—	—	—	1†
Lower Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 1—	—	—	—	1

* Urine. † Spinal Fluid.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—5.

Hairs of Ringworm.—1 specimen received from School Medical Staff in Upper Ward gave a positive result. 3 specimens received from Middle Ward Hospital Physician gave positive results in 2 of these.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—1 specimen of sputum received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave negative result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—14.

Anthrax.—1 specimen of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Upper Ward gave positive result.

Deleterious micro-organisms.—1 specimen of milk received from County Medical Officer in Middle Ward gave negative result.

Tubercle.—1 specimen of brain and cord from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave a positive result. 2 specimens of milk from the Public Health Staff in the Middle Ward gave negative results.

The following specimens, under the *Tuberculosis Order*, were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Middle Ward.—1 specimen of mucus of cow gave positive result.

Lower Ward.—2 specimens of mucus of cow gave positive results.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	—	1	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	2	1	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	3	1	—	—
Total, 6—	—	6	2	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—83.

	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton, ...	2	2	1	2	6	7	—	1	—	—	2	6*
Airdrie, ...	—	—	—	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge, ...	—	2	3	1	4	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rutherglen,	1	2	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	—	2	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	1	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	2	2
Biggar, ...	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 83—	3	7	5	11	17	27	—	1	—	—	4	8

* Includes 5 waters.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	7	10	1	3
Coal-dross Washers, -	22	35	1	6
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	1	1	...
Paper Mills, - - -	1	2	2	2
Distillery, - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	5	9	9	...
Streams, - - - -	26	51	12	...
Total, - -	62	108	26	11

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.							Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Airdrie.	Baillieston.	Cadzow, Eddlewood, and Meikle Earnock.	Cambuslang.	Farme.	Newarthill.	Shettleston.			
Sweet Milk, - -	2	...	3	2	...	3	1	11	11	3
Cream, - - -	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	2	...
Butter, - - -	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	2	2
Total Samples in each Locality, -	2	1	3	4	1	3	1	15	15	5
Number of Shops, &c., Visited, -	...	2	8	9	2	1	1	22	...	...

Informal samples—sweet milk, 5; cream, 2; butter, 2.
Informal samples procured by means of an agent—butter, 2.
Formal ,, ,, ,, ,, sweet milk, 1.
Samples received privately—sweet milk, 4.

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 26*th August*, 1913.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

AUGUST, 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

115 inspections and visits of inquiry were made (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

SOURCES OF POLLUTION.	DATES OF POLLUTION.	NOTES OF INSPECTIONS.
	August	
Craighead Colliery, - -	15th	* Defects in drain and settling area.
Swinhill ,, - -	21st and 27th	* Settling area defective
Hengowan Print Work, -	6th	Coloured pollution.
Caldercruix Paper Mill, -	6th	* Direct discharge to North Calder.

* Reported at Company's office.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Craighead Colliery.—The pollution detected at this colliery was due to three causes:—(1) A temporary defect in a pulsometer; (2) a choked drain-pipe; and (3) the defective construction of the bank of a new settling area. These defects were at once reported, and have been remedied.

Swinhill Colliery.—Pollution from this colliery was due to the washings in the settling area escaping underneath a stone and dirt bing which forms a side of the area, and could only be observed on the Mill Burn. The circumstances were reported to the colliery manager, but cause for complaint had not been removed at a inspection made on 27th August.

Glengowan Print Work.—The discharge from these works was found very highly coloured, but, owing to an unusually large flow of water leaving the Hillend Reservoir on the North Calder, for the purpose of maintaining sufficient water-depth in the Monkland Canal during the period of drought, there was considerable dilution of the effluent in the stream in which the polluting effect was reduced a short distance below the point of discharge.

Caldercruix Paper Mill.—Owing to the reconstruction of the outfall channel between the works and the settling-ponds the paper-mill effluent was found at the time of inspection discharging direct to the North Calder.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Burgh of Biggar.—An inspection was made of the crude sewage outfalls, settling-tanks, and irrigation fields at Biggar, which were found in good order. The streams receiving the effluent were free from pollution.

Burgh of Hamilton Park Burn Sewage Works.—Serious pollution of the Park Burn and River Clyde at Bothwell Bridge occurred during the month and in July by discharges of a most objectionable character from these sewage works. Inquiries elicited the information that the work of cleaning out the six large septic tanks was in progress, and that, owing to the unsuitable structural arrangement of the tanks, large quantities of sewage sludge were discharged to the Park Burn and River Clyde, where most offensive conditions were created. The attention of the Town-Clerk and Burgh Surveyor was at once called to the circumstances, and the work of cleaning the tanks has been stopped meantime. The matter was also reported to the County Clerk.

Burgh of Motherwell—Coursington Sewage Works.—Inspection was made of these works, when one of the septic tanks was found in course of being cleaned out. The sludge from these tanks gravitates into a sludge-well, from which it is lifted by a chain-pump into a draining chamber, thence removed by carts.

Bishopbriggs Sewage Works.—The discharge from these works was found on 2nd August to be still improving, following upon the alteration in the distribution.

St. Mary's Industrial School.—This institution is situated at Kenmure, and is within the Bishopbriggs Drainage District. A small private sewage installation is provided for the treatment of the sewage before passing it into the Bishopbriggs Burn. At present the discharge is of a polluting nature. This could be remedied by some slight improvement of the small tank and filter in use, or by connecting the outfall drain with the main sewer. As the main sewer is, however, some considerable distance off, the cost of a branch sewer would be too heavy; perhaps the cost of improving the tank and filter in question might be undertaken by the Drainage District Committee.

Old Auchenairn.—Along with Inspector Philip, of the Lower Ward Staff inspection was made of the sewerage system of this district, with special reference to the pollution of the Caley Burn. Inquiries showed that drainage from a large piggery was the chief source of pollution. The upper reach of the stream was found grossly polluted and in a most offensive condition. Remedial measures for the disposal of the piggery drainage are under consideration.

Annathill.—In view of the erection of additional water-closets at the houses owned by Messrs. William Baird & Co., Ltd., inquiries were made as to the existing measures provided for the disposal of sewage. These were found to comprise two

large septic tanks, with Dortmund tanks for removal of the finer suspended solids carried over from the septic tanks. The remedial measures provided are more than ample for any additional number of water-closets intended to be erected, subject to a slight modification in the construction of the tanks and to the provision of a continuous filter. At present the effluent is not satisfactory, and this appears to be due to over-tanking of the sewage, resulting in the ebullition of gas, which carries with it decomposing particles of sludge.

West Benhar.—In connection with the introduction of a water-supply into houses here, inspection was made of the existing outfall drains. Along with the reconstruction of the drainage system the provision of two small tanks has been recommended with a view to minimising any cause for complaint of pollution of the River Almond.

Braidwood.—Inspections and inquiries were made late in the month and early in the current month, in connection with a requisition to form Braidwood district into a special drainage area, and in relation to proposals the District Committee's engineers made in 1912 for draining a portion of the district. The Medical Officer and Rivers Inspector also had a meeting with the engineers and District Clerk, and discussed these proposals and the question generally, and advised them in the matter.

Thankerton.—Further inspections were made by the Medical Officer and Rivers Inspector, and in view of further complaints of nuisance having been made by the occupiers of houses situated near the sewage tank and irrigation field, the special note on this matter referred to in the report for July is held over.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions, 21 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

North Calder.—On the 8th August, communication was received from Messrs. James Dunlop & Co., complaining of the pollution of this stream by paper-mill effluent above their works at Calderbank. For some time previous to July Fair holidays, untreated effluent from Moffat Paper Mill had been passing direct to the Calder, but new tanks have recently been brought into operation with a resultant improvement.

South Calder.—In connection with inquiries and inspections regarding the pollution of this stream, considerable pollution was found being carried into it by the Todhole Burn, which is within the jurisdiction of the Burgh of Motherwell. It would appear that pollution comes from public works, and probably a bye-pass on the burgh sewer. As the sources of pollution of the Calder in the County are being dealt with, the attention of the Burgh Authority has been called to the condition of the Todhole Burn.

Broomfield Farm, Netherburn.—A further inspection was made into a complaint of pollution of a stream on this farm by discharges of pit-water from Broomfield Colliery. A sample of the discharge was also taken. This is a pollution which cannot be dealt with under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts, but the attention of the colliery owners was drawn to it, and the results of this inspection and information obtained at previous inspections given to the factor for the Hamilton estate, on which the farm and colliery are situated.

Coal Burn.—Exhaustive inquiries and inspections were made into a complaint by a farmer of alleged pollution of the Coal Burn by coal-dross washings. Several collieries with coal-washing plant drain to this stream, and the information obtained seemed to point to one of them (Dalquhandy) being the source of pollution. Defects were found in the arrangements to prevent pollution, and the owners were communicated with through the County Clerk. Communications were also addressed to the owners of Auchlochan and Bellfield Collieries, drawing attention to the complaint, and suggesting that special care might be taken in the management of preventive measures.

In the course of the inquiries made into this complaint, it was learned that the householders in the village of Lintfieldbank indulged in the most objectionable practice of throwing the contents of the privies and ashpit refuse into the Coal Burn. Warning notices have been posted up, and the attention of the district sanitary inspector drawn to the matter. The whole inquiries were also reported to the County Clerk.

Douglas West.—A further inspection was made of the pit-water outfall from the new colliery, which was recently complained of.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 58, and 46 samples, including 15 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these, 39 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 4 in the chemical laboratory. Three samples—1 margarine, 1 butter, and 1 raspberry jam—were not analysed, as it was not thought to be necessary.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine case, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date Purchased.	Locality where Purchased.	Certified.
302	Sweet Milk	27th Aug.	Bothwell	Deficient 6 per cent. in milk solids other than fat.

The rest of the samples were certified to be genuine, with the exception of an informal sample of sweet milk procured from Lightburn Hospital, which was found on analysis to be 5 per cent. deficient in milk fat and 17 per cent. in milk solids other than fat. This was reported to the Clerk to the Hospital Committee, and the matter will be fully inquired into, and, if necessary, further samples taken. One of the sweet milk samples was certified to be coloured with annatto. It was procured from a hand-barrow belonging to a Glasgow dairy company.

Three of the samples from the Burgh of Biggar were informal samples sent for analysis by a dairyman who seemed to have a doubt about the quality of the milk supplied to him. On analysis these samples were found to contain 3·90, 5·20 and and 7.30 per cent. of fat respectively. On inquiry the inspector learned that the abnormal amount of fat in two of the samples was probably accounted for by the fact that, in taking the samples, the dairyman had used his cream measure, which very likely had some milk fat adhering to it.

The sample of cream was certified to be genuine, and to contain 9·00 per cent.

of milk fat. It also contained ·03 per cent. of crystallised boracic acid, which was not declared at the time of purchase. The amount present is extremely small, but further samples will be procured from the vendor.

The sample of preserved cream was supplied in a jar with an inscription that it was boracised. It contained ·50 per cent. of boracic acid.

The sample of marshmallow cream was procured from a baker. It was sold to him as a substitute for the thick cream used in the making of fancy pastries. On analysis the sample was found to contain no fat constituent, but consisted principally of sugar, which shows that the article is more of the naturc of a confection. The baker did not find the substitute satisfactory, and had discontinued its use.

The samples of self-raising flour were certified to contain 8 per cent., and 7 per cent. of calcium sulphate, which are both within the limit laid down by Dr. Hamill in his report to the Local Government Board.

The samplcs of veal-tongue loaf and sausage were certified to contain respectively 5·7 grains and 1·7 grains of boracic acid per pound.

Margarine Contraventions.—Three offences were detected in respect of want of labels on parcels of margarine exposed for sale. As the offences were evidently due to the labels accidentally falling off, it was considered sufficient to verbally caution the offenders.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analysis of 16 samples were completed during the month, 11 being under Rivers Pollution, and 4 under Food and Drugs Acts. There was also 1 special sample.

Rivers Pollution.

Streams.—11 samples; Coal Burn at Mayfield Farm, 2 samples specially examined for matter in suspension. A series, consisting of 9 samples, was taken from the River Clyde and its tributaries—Avon, South Calder, and North Calder. Special attention being paid to the amount of dissolved oxygen, and also to the amount of dissolved oxygen absorbed in 5 days.

Food and Drugs.

Milk, 4 samples, 3 being received privately, and 1 from Longriggend Hospital. All samples were found genuine.

Special.

1 sample of tar received from the Middle Ward Road Surveyor.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 529, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners, -	257	Veterinary Surgeons, -	10
Hospital Physicians, -	234	Slaughter-house Staff, -	1
Public Health Staff, -	27		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—215.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contract.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	7	24	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	11	28	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward.	3	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 84—	21	57	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward.	9	20	—	4	20	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	51	12	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 130—	60	32	9	4	20	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total. —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Culture of Diphtheria, received from Middle Ward Hospital Physician, for Virulence gave a positive result.

TYPHOID FEVER—56.

	Blood. Widal.		Culutre.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	9	18	—	—	1	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 31—	9	21	—	—	1	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	1	23	—	—	—	—	1	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 25 —	1	23	—	—	—	—	1	—

TUBERCLE—165.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	7	—	1*
Middle Ward, ...	9	41†	—	—
Lower Ward, ...	1	1	—	—
Total, 61—	11	49	—	1
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	58	25	—	—
Lower Ward, ...	13	7	—	—
Total, 103—	71	32	—	—
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	1	—	—	—
Lower Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 1—	1	—	—	—

* Urine.

† Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—3.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave a negative result.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—1 specimen of sputum received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave a negative result.

Malignant Pustule.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Hospital Physician gave a positive result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—11.

Blackleg.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave a positive result.

The following specimens, under the Tuberculosis Order, were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Upper Ward, 1 specimen of mucus of cow and 1 of lung of cow gave positive results.

Middle Ward, 1 specimen of saliva gave a negative result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	—	4	4	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	3	2	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 7—	—	7	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—80.

	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle, other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton, ...	2	—	2	2	2	5	—	—	—	—	1	—
Airdrie, ...	2	1	1	—	1	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge ...	—	1	5	7	8	4	—	—	—	—	1*	1
Rutherglen ...	1	—	—	2	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 80—	5	3	8	16	17	28	—	—	—	—	2	1

* Hairs for Ringworm from School Medical Staff.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature,	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	1	1	...	...
Coal-dross Washers, -	14	26	2	3
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	1	...	1
Paper Mills, - - -	2	2	...	1
Distillery,	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	18	36	1	...
Streams, - - - -	21	49	1	...
Total, - - -	57	115	4	5

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.												Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Baillieston and Barrachnie.	Blantyre.	Bothwell.	Cambuslang.	Coalburn.	Dalserf.	Longriggend Hospital.	Shawsburn.	Shettleston and Lightburn Hospital.	Symington.	Thankerton.	Burgh of Biggar.			
Sweet Milk,	3	...	6	1	5	...	1	...	3	...	...	7	26	26	2
Skimmed Milk,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Cream,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...
,, (Preserved),	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Marshmallow Cream,	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Butter,	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...
Margarine,	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Self-raising Flour,	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	..	1	2	2	...
Royal Baking Powder,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...
Demerara Sugar,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...
Syrup,	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Raspberry Jam,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	1	...
Veal-tongue Loaf,	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Sausage,	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Olive Oil,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Whisky,	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	3	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	3	4	6	4	5	2	1	1	4	2	2	12	46	43	2
Number of Shops, &c., Visited,	4	7	6	14	6	4	...	1	2	1	3	10	58	...	...

Informal Samples—sweet milk, 5; skimmed milk, 1; butter, 2; cream, 1; marshmallow cream, 1; margarine, 1; baking powder, 1; raspberry jam, 2; Demerara sugar, 1.

Informal Samples procured by means of agents—butter, 2.

Samples received privately—sweet milk, 3.

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 15*th September*, 1913.

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Copy of Communications received from the District Committees in regard to the appointment of Assistant Medical Officers of Health.

COPY LETTER FROM CLERK TO DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF UPPER WARD.

District Offices,
Lanark, 23rd August, 1913.

DEAR SIR,

TUBERCULOSIS.

I have to advise you that my Committee yesterday agreed to nominate, for the appointment of Tuberculosis Officer and Assistant Medical Officer of Health for the Upper Ward District, James R. Adam, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Assistant Tuberculosis Officer, Leith.

I am, DEAR SIR,

Yours faithfully,

A. W. PATERSON.

COPY LETTER FROM CLERK TO DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF MIDDLE WARD.

District Offices,
Hamilton, 19th September, 1913.

DEAR SIR,

PUBLIC HEALTH—TUBERCULOSIS OFFICERS, &c.

I have now submitted to the appropriate Committee of the District Committee your letter of 3rd July, transmitting print of minutes of meetings of the Joint-Committee in connection with the above, held on 28th May and 25th June, and I am to say that they have unanimously resolved to recommend that the arrangement therein proposed should be adopted, so far as this District Committee is concerned. In this view they have proceeded to consider as to the appointment of three Medical Practitioners to undertake the duties of Tuberculosis Officers and Assistant Medical Officers, and, having advertised for applications and interviewed candidates, they are now recommending to the District Committee that the following persons should be appointed, at salaries of £300 per annum, rising, on approved service, to £400 per annum, namely—Mr. John W. Miller, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Hamilton; Miss Christina Barrowman, M.B., Ch.B., B.Sc. (P.H.), Hamilton; and Mr. J. Thomson Dick, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Glasgow.

I enclose a print of the Sub-Committee's minute, of date 5th September, containing their recommendations as to the appointments and the conditions which should attach thereto.

The Sub-Committee's recommendations are to come before the District Committee at their monthly meeting to be held on Friday, 26th curt.

Yours faithfully,

W. E. WHYTE.

At GLASGOW, *5th September*, 1913, being a MEETING of the SUB-COMMITTEE appointed by the DISTRICT COMMITTEE on the question of Tuberculosis and other kindred matters. 5th September, 1913.

Sederunt—

JOHN C. BURNS.
JAMES CAMERON.
GEORGE FRASER.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
JOHN JACKSON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
JOHN LOUDON.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
DAVID THOMSON.

Sub-Committee as to Tuberculosis, &c.

Attending—

Dr. WILSON, Medical Officer of Health.

(Mr. NEILSON, chairman, presiding.) Chairman.

Appointment of Tuberculosis Officers.

Under reference to minutes of meeting, of date 29th August, the Clerk reported that, as instructed, he had requested the five applicants then placed on the short leet for the appointment of two Tuberculosis Officers and Assistant Medical Officers of Health to be present at this meeting. The candidates in question were in attendance, and were interviewed severally by the Committee with respect to their qualifications and fitness for the appointment. Thereafter the Committee decided that the whole of the five applicants should be voted on, and that the applicant receiving the lowest number of votes on each vote being taken should drop out of the list. The meeting then proceeded to vote by ballot in accordance with this arrangement, and after a series of votes Miss Christina Barrowman, M.B., Ch.B., B.Sc. (P.H.), Hamilton, and Mr. J. Thomson Dick, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Glasgow, were declared to be the successful applicants. The Committee thereupon resolved to recommend that Dr. Barrowman and Dr. Dick (and also as advised in minute of meeting, of date 6th August, Mr. John W. Miller, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., at present temporary Assistant Medical Officer of Health) should be appointed Tuberculosis Officers and Assistant Medical Officers of Health at a commencing salary of £300 per annum each, rising on approved service to £400 per annum. It was also agreed that the officers should be stationed at such places or institutions as the Local Authority might direct from time to time; that they should be under the direction and control of the Medical Officer of Health, and that their duties should be those properly and usually falling to be discharged by a Tuberculosis Officer and Medical Officer of Health under the statutes and Orders regulating such appointments; the relations of the officers to each other and to the Medical Officer of Health and other officers and officials of the Local Authority to be defined at a later stage, and to be satisfactory to the Local Government Board; also that the officers should not be removable from office except by or with the sanction of the Local Government Board; and that the appointments otherwise shall be subject to conditions to be approved by the Board.

The meeting also agreed to recommend that, so far as the District Committee's interests were concerned, the appointment of Dr. Frank H. Scroggie, Tuberculosis Officer and Assistant Medical Officer of Health, should be subject to the above-mentioned conditions.

24th September, 1913.

COPY LETTER FROM CLERK TO DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF LOWER WARD.

15 West George Street,
Glasgow, 16th September, 1913.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of 3rd July last, sending prints of minutes of Joint-Committee on Staffing Arrangements in the Public Health Department, of 28th May and 25th June last, and directing attention to the recommendation in the latter minute, I submitted the recommendation to the meeting of the District Committee on 7th July, who remitted the matter to the Public Health Committee for consideration and report. The Public Health Committee reported their recommendation to the meeting of the District Committee on 4th August last, who approved of the recommendation, and remitted to the Public Health Committee, with powers, to nominate an Assistant County and District Medical Officer of Health, subject to the control of the County Medical Officer of Health, to act as Tuberculosis Officer in the Lower Ward District, at a salary of £300 per annum, with travelling expenses, and to transmit the nomination to the County Council for appointment.

The Public Health Committee, in terms of the remit, advertised for candidates for the appointment, and at a special meeting selected a leet of five to be seen by the Committee. The Committee met the selected candidates at their monthly meeting yesterday, and unanimously agreed to nominate Robert Richards, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Aberdeen, to the County Council for appointment.

I enclose excerpts from the minutes of meeting of the District Committee of 4th ultimo, and of the Public Health Committee of yesterday's date, and shall be obliged if you will submit them to the County Council with the view to their appointing Dr. Richards, in accordance with the nomination.

You will note, from the Minute of the Public Health Committee, that Dr. Richards can enter on duty at once, and it will be obliging, therefore, if you will intimate his appointment to him at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

JAS. A. M'CALLUM.

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF 4th AUGUST, 1913.

Mr. Christie moved the approval of the minutes of meeting of the Sub-Committee on Public Health, of 28th ult., and of the recommendations therein, which was seconded by Mr. Davie, and after Mr. Briggs and other members had expressed their views, the motion was adopted.

The meeting accordingly:—

(1) Approved of the recommendation by the Joint Committee of the County Council and District Committees of the Upper and Lower Wards on Staffing Arrangements in the Public Health Department, of 28th May and 25th June last, and remitted to the Public Health Committee with powers to nominate an Assistant County and District Medical Officer of Health, subject to the control of the Chief County Medical Officer, to act as Tuberculosis Officer in the Lower Ward, at a salary of £300 per annum, with travelling expenses, and to transmit the nomination to the County Council for appointment, in terms of the Local Government Act, 1889, and, in the meantime, authorised advertisement to be made for applications for the appointment.

EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING OF SUB-COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, OF 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1913.

The minutes of meeting of this Committee, of 10th current, regarding the applications for the appointment of Assistant County and District Medical Officer of Health to act as Tuberculosis Officer in the Lower Ward, containing the names of the five selected candidates on the short leet, who had been requested to attend this meeting, were read and approved.

The meeting thereafter met with the selected candidates, and having considered as to their qualifications, experience, and fitness, unanimously agreed to nominate Robert Richards, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., 61 Braemar Place, Aberdeen, to the County Council for appointment as an Assistant County Medical Officer, and as Assistant District Medical Officer for the Lower Ward, to act specially as Assistant Tuberculosis Officer in that Ward, subject to the control of the County Medical Officer, and subject also to the provisions of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and to the terms and conditions expressed in the minutes of meeting of the Joint-Committee of the Public Health Committee of the County Council and of the District Committees of the three Districts regarding Staffing Arrangements in the Public Health Department, of 25th June last, of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of 2nd July, and of the District Committee of this District of 4th August last.

Dr. Richards having been called into the meeting, and informed by the Chairman of the nomination, and of the terms and conditions of the appointment, and Dr. Wilson having also informed him that, though the appointment would be made primarily with reference to the requirements of the Lower Ward, he would require, if and when called upon, to undertake duties in the County outwith the Lower Ward District, and would require, when a sanatorium is provided in the Lower Ward, to reside at or near the sanatorium, agreed to accept nomination on these terms.

Dr. Richards also stated, in reply to the Chairman, that he could enter on duty at once, and the meeting remitted to Dr. Wilson to arrange for him entering on duty so soon as he receives intimation of the appointment from the County Clerk.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

1st October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st October, 1913, being a meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	William Love.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Alexander Hamilton.	James Prentice.
Robert Lambie.	William Speirs.

James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk submitted and read an excerpt from the minutes of the meeting of the committee held on 24th ultimo, relating to the communications then submitted from the District Committees in regard to the appointment of Assistant Medical Officers of Health.

Letter from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

As relative thereto, the Clerk submitted a further communication which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, stating that the District Committee had, at their meeting held on 26th ultimo, approved of the minutes of their sub-committee, of date 5th September, a copy of which had been laid before the Public Health Committee at their last meeting.

Assistant Medical Officers. — Middle Ward District Committee's nominations agreed to.

After discussion, and on the motion of Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Neilson, the committee agreed to approve of the nominations made by the District Committee, and to recommend the County Council to appoint as Assistant Medical Officers for the County, Mr. John W. Miller, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Hamilton; Miss Christina Barrowman, M.B., Ch.B., B.Sc. (P.H.)., Hamilton; and Mr. J. Thomson Dick, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Glasgow, the salary in each case to be £300 per annum, rising on approved service to £400 per annum, and the appointments to be subject to Section 54 (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and also to the same conditions as applied in the case of other Assistant Medical Officers.

Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant. — Circular letter from Local Government Board for Scotland.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a circular letter from the Local Government Board for Scotland, of date 11th August last, on the subject of "Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant," giving the result of correspondence with the Treasury regarding certain questions which had arisen as to the method of distribution of the proposed maintenance grant in aid of the cost of the treatment of tuberculosis, and attaching certain conditions to participation in the maintenance grant, one of which was that all schemes of District Committees should be transmitted to the Board through the County Clerk. It was also requested that the estimate of the expenditure incurred by Local Authorities in treating tuberculosis during the period from 15th July, 1912, to 31st March, 1913, should be transmitted to the Board not later than 30th September, 1913.

Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk stated that he had been in communication with the County Medical Officer and the several District Committees in the matter, but that owing to certain points of difficulty it had not yet been possible to complete the required statements. He further stated that the Local Government Board had been informed of the questions of difficulty which had arisen, and he understood that they would be prepared to extend the date for lodging the claims.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 21st May, 1913, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 21st May, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.	William Love.
Colonel Buchanan.	William M. Marshall.
James H. Fenton.	William Neilson.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Sym.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Templeton.

James C. Hope Verf.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from Colonel King Stewart and Mr. Anderson. *Apologies for absence.*

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 4th April, which had been approved of by the County Council on 8th May, were signed by the chairman. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of the following sub-committees, which had also been approved of by the County Council on 8th May, were held as read and confirmed, viz.: - Blantyre Gas, of date 9th April; Lanarkshire Tramways, of date 9th April; and Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, of dates 11th and 23rd April. *Minutes of sub-committees.*

The Clerk reported the proceedings at a meeting of the Sub-Committee on the proposed Extension of the Burgh of Renfrew, held on 7th May, as set forth in the minute of that meeting (Appendix). The committee approved. *Proposed extension of Burgh of Renfrew.*

The Clerk reported that after an Inquiry, commencing on 29th April and lasting three days, the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order had been unanimously passed by the Commissioners substantially in the form of the Filled-up Order. The Draft Order as modified had been printed, and a copy was laid before the meeting. By various clauses in the Order important powers had been conferred upon the County Council and the District Committee, and in particular a uniform period of 50 years is to be allowed for repayment of monies borrowed. On this point the Commissioners had made a special report in favour of the proposal, but the actual terms of the clause relating to borrowing had still to be adjusted with the Scottish Office. The Commissioners also passed Clause 32 of the Draft Order, giving the Middle Ward District Committee power to lay mains outwith the limits of supply, but subject to further consideration and approval of the clause by the Secretary for Scotland. A fuller report upon the Order would be made after the Scottish Office had passed the Order. *Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order.*

The chairman on behalf of the committee expressed gratification at the result of the proceedings before the Commissioners, and referred to the very efficient and willing services which had been rendered by the Convener of the County and by the County

Clerk and other officials, and moved that a record of the committee's appreciation of these services be inserted in the minutes. This was unanimously agreed to.

The Clerk on behalf of the officials thanked the committee for the kind references made by the chairman, and also expressed his sense of his indebtedness to Mr. Whyte, the District Clerk, for the manner in which he had co-operated with him in carrying through the Order, and for the valuable assistance he had rendered throughout the whole proceedings.

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order.

There was laid before the meeting a print of the Draft Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order. The Clerk explained that this Order, which was being promoted during the current session by the Town Council of Motherwell, had for its objects, *inter alia*, to extend the Burgh to include two County areas having a *cumulo* valuation of £30,582 10s.; to disjoin from the Middle Ward Water District the area added to the Burgh in 1908 and the districts now proposed to be annexed; to convert the options which the Middle and Upper Ward District Committees presently have to take supplies of water from the Town Council into an obligation to do so; and to make further provision for sewage purification. He stated that the proposals of the Order so far as they related to the proposed interference with the rights of the County Council and the District Committee under the Middle Ward District Water Acts were in principle the same as had been successfully resisted by the County Council and the District Committee in the Parliamentary proceedings on the Motherwell Burgh Bills of 1900 and 1908, and in the abandoned Burgh Bill of 1909; that the Order made no adequate provision for compensating the County Council for the loss which would result if either the proposals relating to Water Supply or to Burgh Extension were agreed to or granted, and that it contained a number of other provisions that would be to the prejudice of the County Council and the County ratepayers. The proposal to compel the District Committees of the Upper and Middle Wards to take compulsorily the supplies made available to them at their discretion by the Burgh Act of 1900 would, in the present circumstances of those districts, involve them in a heavy annual charge for water for which they have no need.

The meeting unanimously agreed to recommend the County Council to oppose the Order, and instructed the Clerk meantime to lodge a Petition against the Order on behalf of the County Council and the District Committees of the Middle and Upper Wards, and to take such other steps as might be necessary.

Representation to be made to chairmen.

The Clerk was also instructed to have a representation made to the Chairmen of Committees that further procedure in regard to the Order should in view of the nature of its provisions be by way of Private Bill.

Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill.

The meeting took into consideration the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill, of which copies had been issued to members along with Notes thereon by the Clerk. The Clerk also read letters from Mr. Anderson and Mr. Marshall drawing attention to the provisions of particular clauses.

On the motion of Mr. Hamilton, it was agreed to remit the Bill to the following sub-committee: — The Chairman, and Messrs. Anderson, Buchanan, Hamilton, Houldsworth, Lockhart, Love, Marshall, Neilson, and Hope Vere.

Mental Deficiency and Lunacy (Scotland) Bill.

The Clerk explained to the meeting that a Bill entitled the Mental Deficiency and Lunacy (Scotland) Bill had been introduced into the House of Commons by the Secretary for Scotland, supported by the Lord Advocate, and had been ordered to be printed. The Bill was put down for Second Reading on 27th May, but although he had applied for prints of the Bill, these were not yet available. He was therefore unable to report as to the exact terms of the measure, but if the forecast were accurate, a very serious change in the system of administration of the Lunacy Acts was contemplated. He understood that in effect the Bill provided for the abolition of the present District Lunacy Boards and the election in their place of new Boards (to be called District Boards of Control) by the Chairmen of Parish Councils of Parishes and the Chairmen of School Boards of School Districts within the Lunacy District, in accordance with Regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary for Scotland.

The meeting were unanimously of opinion that steps should be taken to oppose the Bill if it was found that its proposals were as above indicated, and appointed the following Sub-Committee to deal with the Bill and to take such steps as might be necessary in the matter, viz.:—The Chairman, and Messrs. Adam, Fenton, Hamilton, Marshall, Neilson, King Stewart, Templeton, and Hope Vere, the Clerk being meantime authorised to take such action as he could to secure that the Bill was not proceeded with until time had been afforded for its fuller consideration.

APPENDIX.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE BURGH OF RENFREW.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 7th May, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. appointed regarding the proposed Extension of the Burgh of Renfrew. 7th May, 1913.

Present—

George Fraser. | William Neilson.
D. Kinloch Michie. | William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.

Colonel King Stewart was appointed chairman of the committee. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk read the remit to the committee, which was in the following terms:— *Remit.*

"There was submitted the following letter from the Town-Clerk of Renfrew, viz.:—

"Town-Clerk's Office,
"Renfrew, 21st January, 1913.

"Dear Sir.

"BOUNDARIES.

"I shall be glad if you could arrange for a meeting of your committee with my sub-committee to discuss proposals to include within the boundaries of the Burgh of Renfrew that detached portion of the County of Lanark lying between the eastern boundaries of the Burgh and the extended boundary of the City of Glasgow.

"Yours faithfully,
(Signed) "ANDREW R. HARPER.

"Thomas Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

In this connection the Clerk explained that under the recent Glasgow Boundaries Act the whole of the South Govan District had been annexed to the City of Glasgow, with the exception of the small portion comprising the lands of Deanside. These lands were purely agricultural, and the Electoral Division had practically disappeared, as there were only six County electors left in the County area.

The Clerk reminded the committee that in 1898 the Burgh of Renfrew had proposed to annex these lands or parts of them under a Bill which was being promoted that session for the purpose of obtaining power to form a dock, but that the Bill had been dropped. Various negotiations had subsequently taken place between the Burgh of Renfrew and the County Council, as a result of which it had been practically agreed that this area should be ceded to the Burgh of Renfrew provided suitable terms could be adjusted.

The committee agreed to remit to a sub-committee to meet representatives of the Burgh of Renfrew to discuss the proposal, and to report. The following sub-committee was appointed:—The Convener, Vice-Convener, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Speirs, with Mr. Michie."

Particulars of Valuation &c., submitted.

The Clerk also submitted particulars of the valuation of the area proposed to be handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew, with an estimate of the County Debt effeiring to the area and of the compensation which it would be proper to ask from the Burgh of Renfrew.

Deputation received.

The Town Council of Renfrew had been invited to send representatives to this meeting, and a deputation which was in attendance then entered the meeting.

Provost Anderson on behalf of the deputation explained the views of his Town Council as to the desirability of the area being handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew, and referred to the previous negotiations on the subject.

The chairman explained to the deputation that the sub-committee were favourably disposed to entertain the proposal that the area should be handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew subject to payment of compensation which he indicated should be assessed on the basis on which compensation was paid by the City of Glasgow to the County Council under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912. On this footing and subject to verification of certain figures the total sum to be paid by the Burgh of Renfrew to the County Council would probably be £200.

County's terms acceptable to Burgh of Renfrew.

The deputation having indicated that these terms would be acceptable to the Burgh of Renfrew, thanked the sub-committee for their reception and withdrew.

The sub-committee thereafter unanimously agreed to report to the Parliamentary Bills Committee that in their opinion a recommendation should be made to the County Council that the area in question be handed over to the Burgh of Renfrew subject to payment of compensation in respect of debt and all other claims, as this might be finally adjusted on the basis mentioned above.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

4th June, 1913.

At Glasgow, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 4th June, 1913, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	William M. Marshall.
James Anderson.	William Neilson.
Colonel Buchanan.	Gavin A. Shanks.
James H. Fenton.	William Sym.
George Fraser.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Apologies.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Colonel King Stewart, Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, and Mr. Love.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 21st May, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Lanark County Tramways.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at a meeting of the Sub-Committee on the Lanark County Tramways, held on this date, as set forth in the minute of that meeting (Appendix II.). The committee approved.

Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Order.

The Clerk also reported that, as instructed at last meeting of the committee, he had lodged a Petition against the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order on behalf of the County Council and the District Committees of the Upper and Middle Wards. He had also prepared Notes (Appendix I.) on the points in the Order which affected the County interests, as generally explained by him verbally at last meeting. Prints of the Petition and of these Notes had been sent to each member of the committee previous to this meeting. The committee agreed that the Notes should be laid before the County Council for its information.

List of Petitions against Order.

The time for lodging Petitions against the Motherwell Order had expired on 29th May last, and the following Petitions against the Order had been deposited :—

Isabella Addie and others.
Caledonian Railway Company.
Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company.
County Council of Lanark.
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell.
Lanarkshire Tramway Company.
Merry & Cuninghame.
Owners and Occupiers within the Middle Ward Water District, so far as within the Burgh of Motherwell.
Owners and Occupiers in the Parishes of Dalziel and Bothwell.
John Watson, Ltd.

Letter from Town-Clerk of Motherwell.

There was read to the meeting the following letter, of date 22nd May, 1913, which the Clerk had received from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell :—

"Town Hall,
"Motherwell, 22nd May, 1913.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"MOTHERWELL BURGH EXTENSION AND SEWAGE PURIFICATION PROVISIONAL ORDER.

"I am instructed by my Town Council to write you on the subject of their Provisional Order now proceeding before the Scottish Office, and which, if opposed, will shortly come up for enquiry; and to make the following proposals in the hope that the County Authorities will accept them with a view of avoiding a contest with the attendant expenses :—

I. To provide for the whole water supply of the Burgh being brought within the jurisdiction of the Burgh Local Authority, as proposed in the Provisional Order.

II. To limit the extension of the boundaries, proposed under this Order, to the part of the area added to the Burgh in 1908 by the decision of the House of Commons Committee, but which was struck out in the Second House by the Committee of the House of Lords.

III. The Sewage and Purification Works in the Order being remedial and necessary for carrying out the compulsory requirements of the Court should pass as proposed.

"With regard to the first point as to the water supply jurisdiction, it is hardly necessary that I should emphasise the fact that the Local Authority of the Burgh is, under the General Law, the water authority therein, nor need I do more than point out that it was an anomaly introduced into the Motherwell Burgh Extension Act, 1908, that the water supply was continued to the County though no longer the Local Authority in the added area, and that was done, as the proceedings show, on the representation of the County Authorities that the District Committee had themselves an ample and surplus supply of water for their requirements, and, but for that statement, my Council believe that the water supply would have followed the usual lines of transfer of jurisdiction in the case of burgh extensions.

"My Council think they may now point to the fact of the promotion, by the County and the District Committee, of the new water scheme in the present session, which formed the subject of enquiry at Edinburgh a few weeks ago, as distinctly negativing the contention of ample water supply in the County, and my Council also point out that, as you are well aware, they have ample and surplus water, more than sufficient to meet the whole requirements within the Burgh as proposed to be extended. My Council, therefore, think, and they are so advised, that the remedy they seek in their Order, with respect to the water jurisdiction, ought to be accepted by the County without any contest.

"With regard to the second point, while my Council are of opinion that the area which they seek by the Order to include in the Burgh is a reasonable proposal, and is justified by the circumstances of the area, they would be ready and now offer, with a view of avoiding expense, to limit the area to be added by this Order to that part of it which the House of Commons Committee in 1908 included but which the Lords Committee in the Second House disallowed.

"With regard to the third point, the Sewage and Purification Works, which are undertaken by Order of the Court in consequence of the action of the County, it does not seem necessary to state any further reasons in support thereof.

"I am further instructed to express the hope that the County Council and District Committee may see their way to fall in with these proposals, and so avoid the heavy expenses of an enquiry which will fall upon the ratepayers both in the county and in the burgh.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "JAMES BURNS,
"*Town-Clerk.*"

Having considered the terms of the Town Clerk's letter, the committee unanimously agreed that the Clerk should be instructed to reply stating that the proposals contained in the letter are not such as the County Council can accept as a basis for negotiations, but that while the committee dispute the statements of fact and law put forward by the Town Clerk, if the Town Council have any other proposals to make the County Council will give these their careful consideration, and, if of opinion that they are of such a nature as can be accepted as a basis for further discussion, will, without prejudice to the rights of parties, be pleased to meet with representatives of the Town Council regarding them.

The sub-committee agreed to defer consideration of this matter meantime.

Extension of Glasgow Tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge.—Letter from Town-Clerk of Coatbridge.

There was submitted the following letter from the Town Clerk of Coatbridge :—

"Town Clerk's Office,
"Coatbridge, 30*th May*, 1913.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"GLASGOW CORPORATION TRAMWAYS.

"PROPOSED EXTENSION TO COATBRIDGE.

"With reference to the proposal of the Corporation of Glasgow to extend their tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge, I am directed by the Tramways Committee of my Council to ascertain whether the views of the County Council in regard to the proposal are as expressed in your letter to this office of 27th November, 1908.

"I shall be glad to hear from you at your early convenience.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "JNO. ALSTON,
"*Town Clerk.*
"p. W. S."

The Clerk reminded the committee that the decision of the County Council in the year 1908, referred to by the Town Clerk of Coatbridge in his letter, was to the following effect "That in view of the fact that the Town Council of Coatbridge were desirous that the Glasgow Corporation Tramways should be extended from Baillieston to Coatbridge, the County Council should not oppose any application by the Corporation for the necessary Parliamentary powers to enable them to carry out such an extension, provided that the road was suitable for the construction of tramways, and that conditions similar to those inserted at the instance of the County Council in connection with previous tramway extensions in the county were also inserted in the Provisional Order or Private Bill, authorising the extension." It was agreed before giving a definite reply to the Town Clerk of Coatbridge to appoint a sub-committee to further consider the matter, and report, with power to meet with representatives of other local authorities within whose territories extensions of the Tramway System of Glasgow Corporation were at present being contemplated. The following sub-committee was appointed :—The Convener, Vice-Convener, the Chairman, and Messrs Adam, Anderson, Buchanan, Shanks, and Hope Vere.

Plural Voters' Bill.—Extension of Polling Hours Bill.

The meeting took into consideration the Plural Voters Bill, and the Extension of Polling Hours Bill of which copies had been sent to members. It appeared that the provisions of the Plural Voters Bill were only applicable to Parliamentary Elections, and the Committee were of opinion that it was unnecessary to take any action regarding that measure. As regards the Extension of Polling Hours Bill the Clerk reported the steps that had been taken in connection with the Bill by the Association of County Councils, explained that the Standing Committee to which the House of Commons had remitted the Bill, had yesterday accepted an amendment excluding Scotland from the scope of the Bill, and in these circumstances nothing required to be done regarding the Bill in the meantime. He would, however, watch the future progress of the Bill in case any attempt should be made to extend the provisions of the Bill to Scotland. The Committee approved.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

NOTES

ON THE

MOTHERWELL BURGH EXTENSION AND SEWAGE PURIFICATION ORDER 1913.

This is an Order entitled "Provisional Order to extend the boundaries "of the Burgh of Motherwell, and the compulsory limits of water supply; "to confer further powers as to water supply; to construct and main- "tain sewers and sewage purification works; to acquire lands; to "borrow money; and for other purposes."

The preamble of the Order sets forth that the existing Burgh of Motherwell has a population of upwards of 40,000, which is rapidly increasing; that owing to the expansion of the industries of the Burgh the space available within the Burgh for the erection and extension of works has become limited, and works which are dependent upon the Burgh for their workmen have been erected outside, and contiguous to the existing boundaries; and that in these circumstances it is expedient that the boundaries of the Burgh should be extended to include the districts referred to in the Order.

The preamble further alleges that under the Motherwell Water (Additional Supply) Act, 1900, the Town Council has introduced an abundant water supply capable of providing water to the existing Burgh and the districts proposed to be annexed and sufficient for the supply of 80,000 persons in anticipation of the extension of the boundaries of the Burgh.

It narrates that under the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Act, 1908, the Burgh boundaries were extended by the inclusion of a certain area previously under the jurisdiction of the County Council for all purposes of Local Government, and claims that the water supply of that area and of the districts to be annexed by the Order should be provided by the Town Council under their Act of 1900.

The preamble refers to the fact that under the Motherwell Water (Additional Supply) Act, 1900, the Town Council of Motherwell were required to give supplies of water to the District Committees of the Middle and Upper Wards, but that these District Committees were not required to take any supply, and contends that the Town Council being under this obligation, and having made provision to give such supplies of water, a reciprocal obligation should be laid upon the District Committees to take from the Town Council the respective quantities of water therein mentioned on the terms and conditions contained in the said Act of 1900.

The concluding paragraph of the preamble deals with the necessity for additional facilities for the treatment and disposal of the sewage of the Burgh.

From the preamble it thus appears that the principal objects of the Order are four, viz. :—

(1) To extend the boundaries of the Burgh ;

(2) To transfer from the Middle Ward Water District to the Water Supply District of the Burgh the areas annexed to the Burgh in 1908, and the areas now proposed to be annexed ;

(3) To compel the District Committees of the Middle and Upper Wards to take from the Town Council the supplies of water which they have at present an option to demand ; and

(4) To empower the Town Council to construct additional sewage purification works.

I. EXTENSION OF BURGH.

By Clause 5 it is proposed to extend the Burgh to include two districts, one situated to the north-east of the existing Burgh and the other to the north-west and west thereof.

The area situated to the north-east of the Burgh is within the Parish of Bothwell, extends to 124·2 acres or thereby, and has a valuation of £537 11s. Of this valuation, only £61 8s. is applicable to house property, the remainder of the valuation being applicable to lands, plantations, railways, and tramways. There are only six houses in the area, viz., Jerviston Mansion-House, and five houses, occupied by servants connected with the estate. The area to the north-west and west proposed to be annexed is to the extent of 882·6 acres situated within the Parish of Dalziel, and to the extent of 4·2 acres situated within the Parish of Bothwell. The valuation of this district is £30,044 19s., of which £2,344 is applicable to house property ; £3,020 10s. to public works ; £17,715 8s. to minerals and wayleaves ; £4,875 to railways and tramways ; the remainder of the valuation being made up of agricultural lands and plantations, public institutions, &c.

The total number of dwelling-houses within the area to the north-west and west of the Burgh is 243, of which 106 are situated within the Hamilton Road Drainage and Scavenging District, 111 in the miners' rows connected with Messrs. Merry & Cuninghame's Collieries, and 26 are odd houses throughout the area.

The total area proposed to be annexed to the Burgh is thus 1,011 acres, with a total valuation of £30,582 10s. The present area of the Burgh is 1,316 acres, of which 432 were added to the Burgh in 1908.

Clause 5 of the Order also provides that the description of the boundaries of the areas proposed to be added to the Burgh is to be subject to the Rules of Construction laid down in Section 5 of the Representation of the People (Scotland) Act, 1832. The effect of this would be that if the boundary line passed through any portion of a building the whole of that building would for the purpose of rating be held to be within the Burgh even although the greater portion of it might be actually within the County.

The areas proposed to be annexed are to be apportioned between and form part of the Second, Third, and Fourth Wards of the Burgh (Clause 10).

The annexation is to have effect as from the date of the passing of the Act confirming the Order, but notwithstanding this, the Town Council are to levy within the districts proposed to be annexed the rates and assessments imposed upon the existing Burgh as amended by the Order for the year from Whitsunday, 1913, to Whitsunday, 1914, and are to pay over to the County Council the proportion corresponding to such period of the assessments which might have been imposed by the County Council within the districts to be annexed for the year from Whitsunday, 1913, to Whitsunday, 1914, had the Order not been passed (Clause 18). The Town Council thus seek to obtain not only the full Burgh Rates for the period subsequent to the annexation of the districts, but also to obtain the difference between the Burgh assessment and the County assessment for the period between 15th May and the date of commencement of the Order during which the districts will actually be situated within the County.

By Clause 19 it is proposed that the rates leviable on the occupiers of underground workings for minerals within the districts to be annexed and of all lands, buildings, and works occupied or used in connection therewith shall, for a period of nine years, from 15th May, 1913, be either the same rates as are levied in each year during the period by the County Council within the part of the County immediately adjoining the districts, or the same rates and assessments as are levied in each year during the same period by the Town Council within the Burgh, whichever shall be the less. This is obviously an inducement to overcome the opposition of the principal class of ratepayers who are likely to suffer most seriously by the annexation.

Clause 21 of the Order provides for the financial adjustment consequent on the annexation being regulated by Section 50 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as applied by Section 96 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903. In consequence of the interpretation which has been placed upon Section 50 of the Local Government Act of 1889 by the Courts in Scotland, it would be impossible for the County Council, under Clause 21, to obtain adequate compensation for the loss which would result from the annexation to the Burgh of the County area. The Clause ignores the recommendations made in 1911 by the Joint Select Committee of the House of Lords and of the House of Commons appointed to enquire into the application of the statutory provisions relating to financial adjustments consequent on the alteration of boundaries of the Local Government areas. These recommendations have been given effect to in practically all cases of the extensions of Cities or Burghs that have taken place since the Joint-Committee reported.

The Order is not to affect any Parochial arrangements (Clause 25).

The area to the west and north-west includes the whole of the Hamilton Road Special Drainage and Scavenging Districts, which are co-terminous, while the area to the north-east is situated within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting and Scavenging Districts, which are also co-terminous. The effect of the annexation would thus be, while disjoining the whole of the Hamilton Road Special Drainage and Scavenging Districts from the County to cut up the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting and Scavenging District, and to dislocate all the arrangements which have already been made for the administration of these latter districts. The disastrous effects of a somewhat similar dislocation of the County Special Districts, which followed upon the extension of the Burgh in 1908, are known to the County Council.

It should be explained that in 1908 the Burgh of Motherwell attempted to annex a large portion of the area to the north-west and west included in the present scheme, and that Parliament after careful investigation refused to hand over that district to the Burgh.

An Order was again promoted in the year 1909 by the Town Council of Motherwell to annex the same district, but was abandoned after Petitions had been lodged against it.

II. WATER.

By Clause 28 of the Order it is proposed that the limits for the compulsory supply of water of the Town Council should be the Burgh as extended, or in other words, that there should be disjoined from the Middle Ward Water District and added to the Town Council's Water District not only the areas now proposed to be annexed but also the areas annexed to the Burgh of Motherwell in the year 1908.

Clause 29 proposes that the District Committee of the Upper Ward should be bound to take from the Town Council 250,000 gallons of water per day at a price to be fixed as in the Motherwell Act of 1900, and Clause 30 contains a similar provision as to the Middle Ward District aking a compulsory supply of 200,000 gallons per day.

In order presumably to overcome the opposition of the ratepayers to the proposals of Clause 28, Clause 31 of the Order provides that within (1) the districts annexed to the Burgh by the Act of 1908, and (2) the districts proposed to be annexed by the Order, for a period of nine years from Whitsunday, 1913, the Town Council are to levy either the same water rates as are levied in each year during that period within the Middle Ward Water District, or the water rates levied in each year during that period by the Town Council within the Burgh, whichever shall be the lesser.

Clause 28 is a renewal of the attempts made in 1900 and 1908 by the Town Council to secure that extensions of the burgh for municipal purposes should automatically involve an extension of the Town Council's water area, and a corresponding limitation of the Middle Ward Water District. The point was fully discussed before Parliamentary Committees in the years 1900 and 1908, and the Town Council's contention was, in both cases, negatived after the whole circumstances had been carefully enquired into.

The principle of the proposals embodied in Clauses 29 and 30 was fully argued in the course of the proceedings in connection with the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1908. On that occasion the Town Council of Motherwell endeavoured to have the option conferred upon the District Committee of the Middle Ward by the Motherwell Act of 1900 turned into an obligation, but the Commissioners refused to give effect to the Town Council's arguments. The Commissioners, as did the Parliamentary Committee who considered the Burgh Bill of 1908, expressed the view that, if it were possible, the Middle Ward Committee should, if they required to obtain a supply of water outside their own resources, take it from Motherwell. No valid reason, however, can be alleged why provisions which were put in to the Motherwell Act of 1900 for the benefit solely of the District Committees should be turned into obligations upon these committees in the interests of the Motherwell Water Undertaking, and which would compel them to take and pay for water, irrespective of whether their requirements made this expedient.

It should be pointed out that the supply which the District Committee of the Upper Ward have the option to take is preferential to all supplies other than the domestic supply of the Burgh as existing in the year 1900. If effect were given to the provisions of the Order the supply to the District Committee of the Upper Ward would be postponed to the additional supply necessary to meet the domestic requirements of the area added to the burgh in 1908, and to the area proposed to be added by the Order. In the event, therefore, of the Order becoming law, the interests of the Upper Ward District Committee would require to be safeguarded in this respect.

III. SEWAGE.

The Order proposes by Clauses 32 to 42 to authorise the Town Council to construct certain additional sewers and acquire lands for the purpose of sewage purification works. These proposals do not in the main seem to affect the interests of the County.

It would appear that the proposed sewers are for the greater part of their length to follow the lines which would probably be selected by the County Authorities for main sewers for draining the area to the west and north-west should feuing develop upon it. In the event therefore of the sewage provisions of the Order becoming law, it would be advisable to have clauses inserted in the Order enabling the County Authorities to connect sewers which they might lay for the drainage of the area to the Burgh sewers on terms similar to those arranged for the Hamilton Road Drainage District, and in the event of clauses in general terms being refused, it would be necessary to obtain a clause providing that the sewer (work No. 5) so far as laid in the Ladywell Road should be placed in such a position as would enable the County Authorities to lay another sewer in the road at such a level that drains from any houses which might be built along the road could be carried above the Burgh sewer.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 31*st May*, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

4th June, 1913. At Glasgow, and within the County Building, there, on Wednesday, 4th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Lanark County Tramways.

Present—

George Fraser. | William M. Marshall.
Robert Lambie. | William Neilson.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Mr. G. F. Möller, A.M.I.E.E.

Chairman. Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 9th April, 1913, which had been approved of by the County Council on 8th May last, were signed by the Chairman.

Report by Clerk. The Clerk reported regarding the several matters aftermentioned, and the sub-committee gave instructions thereanent as follows:—

PROPOSED DIVERSION OF TELEGRAPHS AT BELLSHILL.

On 6th May, 1913, the Secretary of the General Post Office intimated that the Postmaster-General had agreed to accept the £425 offered by the committee as a fair contribution towards the cost of the proposed diversion of the telegraphs in Bellshill. The Postmaster-General's original estimate of £600 had been based on the assumption that tramway poles would be erected on both sides of the Main Street, whereas the tramway poles are to be placed only on one side of the street and will only affect one telegraph line.

The Secretary of the Post Office pointed out that the payment of £425 would not relieve the Council of their obligation to pay for alterations to telegraphs outside the scope of the diversion in Main Street, Bellshill, the cost of these being estimated at £495. Mr. Möller thought this figure high and a list of the wires to be dealt with made up by him, in which was specified the nature of the alterations which he considered necessary, had been sent to the Postmaster-General with a request for a detailed estimate. It was agreed to leave this matter in the hands of the Clerk with power to make such arrangement with the Postmaster as he might consider best.

OBJECTION BY MESSRS. STEWARTS & LLOYDS, LD.

The proposed arrangement for the transference of the electric cables belonging to Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd., to the tramway poles had been communicated to the District Committee with a view of ascertaining whether it would be regarded as satisfactory, keeping in view the contract which Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds, Ltd., have for supplying current to the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District. No communication had yet been received from the Clerk to the District Committee. A letter had since been received from the County Council's Engineer enquiring if the British Thomson-Houston Company were to procure the fittings and carry out the work of transferring the lighting cables to the tramway poles or if this was to be left to the District Committee. The sub-committee were of opinion that it would be advantageous to get the British Thomson-Houston Company to carry out the work. The Clerk stated that he would inform the District Committee of what was being done.

PROPOSED STRENGTHENING OF BRIDGE OF NORTH BRITISH RAILWAY COMPANY AT UDDINGSTON.

On 9th May the Secretary of the North British Railway Company forwarded a plan of a proposed reconstruction of the bridge over the railway at Uddingston at a cost of £543. The plan had been sent on to Mr. Möller, who was going into the matter. Mr. Möller reported that he had recently consulted Messrs. Formans & M'Call, C.E., regarding the necessity of the proposed reconstruction, and had been advised that the bridge in its present condition was not sufficiently strong to carry the tramway traffic. As the expenditure on a new bridge seemed excessive in the circumstances, Mr. Möller had put before Messrs. Formans & M'Call an alternative proposal for strengthening the bridge to carry the car traffic, and was advised that his scheme would be sufficient for the County Council's purposes, and could be carried out at an expenditure of about £60. The sub-committee agreed to leave this matter in the hands of the Clerk and Engineer with power to approach the Railway Company if they thought fit, with a proposal that the County Council should pay the Company a lump sum, and that the Company should themselves reconstruct the bridge or strengthen it to their own satisfaction.

SYSTEM OF ELECTRIC TRACTION APPROVED.

On 10th April, 1913, the Board of Trade wrote provisionally approving of the system of electric traction proposed to be adopted subject to any requirements which might be considered necessary on the inspection of the completed work.

DEVIATION FROM PARLIAMENTARY PLANS.

On 21st May the Board of Trade consented, under Section 17 of the Lanark County Tramways Act, to the construction of the tramways in accordance with the amended copy of the deposited plans.

In this connection it was explained that only one frontager (in Calder Road) lodged objection to the rails being laid within 9 feet 6 inches of the kerb opposite his property, and as no objection is valid unless supported by one-third of the owners or occupiers opposite the point, his objection had, therefore, fallen.

INSURANCE.

The necessary Workmen's Compensation and Third Party Policies had been taken out by the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, with the Iron Trades' Employers' Assurance Association, Limited. The rate of premium was 60s. per £100 of wages paid, this being the lowest premium obtainable from any company of standing.

PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED.

The Clerk had ascertained that the owners of all the properties to be acquired by the County Council were willing to negotiate for the sale of their respective properties without the necessity of resorting to the procedure under the Lands Clauses Acts.

Lord Newlands had agreed to sell two plots of ground proposed to be acquired from him for £30 on the usual conditions as to reservation of minerals, compensation to tenants, the expense of adding the ground to the road and erecting the necessary fences and making good damage.

Robert Addie & Sons' Collieries, Limited.

Messrs. Robert Addie & Sons' Collieries, Limited, had also indicated that they would sell the small plot of ground to be acquired from them at a price of £25 on somewhat similar conditions. The actual areas to be acquired from Lord Newlands and Messrs. Addie & Sons' Collieries were still to be adjusted, but when this had been done, there would be no difficulty in carrying through the transactions on the lines indicated.

Mr. MacCallum, Uddingston.

Negotiations had also been commenced with Messrs. M'Leish & Johnson, Writers, Glasgow, agents for Mr. George MacCallum, the owner of the property at the corner of Main Street and Bellshill Road, Uddingston. Mr. MacCallum's Agents had obtained a report from Messrs. Smellie & Fraser, Valuators, Glasgow, and they wrote on 22nd May, 1913, with the following alternative suggestions, viz.:—

(1) to sell the whole property belonging to their clients for £880;

(2) to sell a strip along the Main Street frontage for £300; or

(3) to sell the site occupied by the small confectioner's shop for £250;

subject to the condition that the expense of the valuation and negotiations and of the conveyance be paid by the purchasers; that in the event of the confectioner's shop being acquired with or without the strip along Main Street, the ground purchased should be added to the public thoroughfare, and that the purchaser dress all the exposed west gable of the remaining building and erect a stone wall of suitable height and materials, to enclose the remainder of the seller's property on the new boundary, with a suitable gate and gateway, and lay a gronolithic footpath of suitable width with kerb and water channel along the west gable and the remainder of the new boundary to Main Street, all to the specification of Messrs. T. D. Smellie & Fraser, the sale to be subject to the existing leases, the two shop tenancies having each two years to run as from Whitsunday last. The sub-committee agreed to recommend that the second alternative suggestion, to acquire the strip along Main Street at the price of £300, be adopted.

Bell's Trustees.

An offer of £30 had been made to Bell's Trustees for the small piece of ground in front of their property at New Stevenston, extending to about 50 yards or thereby, which it is proposed to add to the street. In answer to this offer, Mr. Marshall, Writer, Motherwell, the Agent for the Trustees, wrote on 26th May stating that his clients desired payment of the sum of £60, and that the County Council, in addition, would require to refence the ground and pay the whole expense incurred by the Trustees including the surveyor's fee and the expense of carrying through the conveyance. His clients, however, had since intimated that they would not now accept less than £65 for the ground. (Prior to the consideration of this item of business being taken up by the sub-committee Mr. Marshall withdrew from the meeting.)

The sub-committee agreed to defer consideration of this matter meantime.

TELEGRAPH WIRES OF RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Mr. Moller had reported that it would be necessary to alter the telegraph wires and cables on the Caledonian Railway Company's Bridges at Clydesdale and Mossend, and on the North British Railway Company's Bridge at Uddingston Coal Road. The Railway Companies had been communicated with, and had furnished estimates of the cost of the necessary work. The cost of altering the wires of the Caledonian Railway Company was estimated at £420, made up of £200 for the work at Mossend, and £220 for the work at Clydesdale. The figures are arrived at on the basis of nett cost of materials and labour plus 10 per cent. for standing charges for use of tools, &c.

The expense of altering the wires of the North British Railway Company was only £23.

Mr. Moller considered that in view of the amount of work to be done the Caledonian Railway Company's estimate was not far out, provided that credit was given for all material recovered. As the work was urgent the Caledonian Railway Company had been instructed to put it in hand at once on the understanding that such credit would be given.

Mr. Moller had also approved of the estimate for altering the telegraphs of the North British Railway Company, and this work was also being proceeded with. The sub-committee approved.

LOWERING OF ROADWAY UNDER BRIDGES.

On 23rd May a plan and section showing the method proposed to be followed in lowering the roadway under the Bridges carrying the Caledonian Railway between Uddingston and Bellshill and between Holytown and Bellshill had been forwarded to the Company. The Company in addition had asked for a specification showing the manner in which the works are to be carried out and this was being furnished.

PROGRESS OF WORK.

Work had now been commenced at New Stevenston and was progressing favourably.

STRIKES.

On 19th May the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, had intimated to the Engineer that a strike had taken place at the works of Messrs Bayliss, Jones, & Bayliss, who were manufacturing the tie-bars, bolts, and nuts for the contract. So far this had not kept back the work.

On Wednesday, 28th May, the labourers employed under the Contract had struck work and demanded an increase on their present rate of pay of 6d. to 6½d. per hour. They also wished to receive 10 hours' pay for 9½ hours' work, and to get "sub" on the job. On 2nd June, however, they had resumed work at the old rate of pay on condition that their working hours should be 10 per day, instead of 9½ as formerly, and that they should receive "sub" on the job.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 25th June, 1913, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 25th June, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.	Robert Lambie.
James Anderson.	William Love.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	Gavin A. Shanks.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	James Tonner.

James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th June, which had been approved by the County Council on 11th June, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the Chairman. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of meeting of the sub-committee regarding the proposed extension of Glasgow Corporation Tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge, of date 18th June (Appendix), which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were held as read and approved of. *Minutes of meeting of Sub-Committee re Extension of Glasgow Tramways to Coatbridge.*

With reference to these minutes, the Clerk reported that he had communicated with the Clerks to the County Councils of Dunbartonshire and Renfrewshire. The County Council of Dunbartonshire had appointed four members to attend the suggested conference in Glasgow, while the Clerk to the County Council of Renfrewshire had written stating that he was taking instructions from the chairman of his County Road Board.

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order.—To proceed as Private Bill.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. Grahames, Currey, & Spens, dated 23rd current, intimating that the Chairmen of Committees had decided that the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order must proceed as a Private Bill. If the usual practice was followed the Bill would not come before a Parliamentary Committee until April next, but the Clerk suggested that in the meantime it might be well to retain Counsel. The committee approved of the Clerk's suggestion and instructed him to send retainers to the Honourable J. D. Fitzgerald, K.C., and Mr. J. G. Talbot, K.C.

Correspondence with Town-Clerk, Motherwell.

The Clerk submitted the following letter which he had written to the Town-Clerk of Motherwell, viz. :—

"Hamilton, 6th June, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"MOTHERWELL BURGH EXTENSION AND SEWAGE PURIFICATION PROVISIONAL ORDER.

"I submitted your letter of 22nd ultimo to a meeting of my Parliamentary Bills Committee, held yesterday, when, after careful consideration of its terms, the committee unanimously agreed that I should be instructed to reply that the proposals contained in your letter are not such as the County Council can accept as a basis for negotiations, but that, while the committee dispute the statements of fact and law put forward by you, if the Town Council have any other proposals to make, the County Council will give these their careful consideration, and if of opinion that they are of such a nature as can be accepted as a basis for further discussion, will, without prejudice to the rights of parties, be pleased to meet with representatives of the Town Council regarding them.

"Yours faithfully,

"*For* THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*
(Signed) "ROBERT BRYCE WALKER.

"JAMES BURNS, Esq.,
"Town-Clerk,
"Motherwell."

In response to this letter the following letter had been received from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell, viz. :—

"Town Hall,
"Motherwell, 9th June, 1913.

"THOMAS MUNRO, Esq.,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"DEAR SIR,

"MOTHERWELL BURGH EXTENSION, &c., P.O.

"I duly received your letter of 6th instant, which I shall submit to first meeting of my Town Council.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "JAMES BURNS,
"*Town-Clerk.*"

Extension of Polling Hours Bill.

The committee were reminded that, as amended in committee, the Extension of Polling Hours Bill had been made applicable only to England and Wales. The Bill had been before the House of Commons on the Report Stage on 6th current, when it had been further amended by the insertion of a clause extending its provisions to Scotland and Ireland, but at the same time another clause had been inserted restricting its application to Parliamentary Elections. Nothing further therefore required to be done beyond watching the progress of the Bill in the House of Lords.

Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912.

Proposed change in Districts for Registration of Writs.

There was submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, dated 23rd current, intimating that, at the request of the Glasgow Faculty of Procurators, the Corporation of Glasgow had made application to the Secretary for Scotland to make and issue an Order to transfer to the geographical County of Lanark a small portion of the County of Renfrew in the Parish of Paisley, which was annexed to the City in 1909, and also to include within the County of the Barony and Regality of Glasgow, for the purpose of the Registration of Deeds, certain areas added to the City under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912.

A copy of the Draft Order proposed to be issued by the Secretary for Scotland, with a relative plan which accompanied the Town-Clerk's letter, was laid before the meeting. It appeared that the whole area within the County of Lanark added to the City of Glasgow in 1912 was for the purposes of Registration of Deeds already within the County of the Barony and Regality of Glasgow, and that the Order was otherwise in no way prejudicial to the interests of the County Council of Lanark. It was therefore unanimously agreed to offer no objection to the Order being made in terms of the Draft.

Employment of Children Bill.

The Clerk drew the attention of the committee to the provisions of the Employment of Children Bill, which proposes to transfer to School Boards the power to make bye-laws for regulating street trading by children, now possessed by County Councils. After a short discussion, further consideration of the terms of this Bill was adjourned.

APPENDIX.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* PROPOSED EXTENSION OF GLASGOW CORPORATION TRAMWAYS FROM BAILLIESTON TO COATBRIDGE.

18th June, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday 18th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed regarding the proposed extension of Glasgow Corporation Tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge.

Present—

John Adam.	George Fraser.
Colonel Buchanan.	Gavin A. Shanks.

Chairman.

Colonel Buchanan was appointed Chairman of the committee.

Notice calling the meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting.

Remit.

The Clerk read the remit to the committee, which was in the following terms:—

Extension of Glasgow Tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge.—Letter from Town-Clerk of Coatbridge.

There was submitted the following letter from the Town-Clerk of Coatbridge:—

"Town-Clerk's Office,
"Coatbridge, 30*th May*, 1913.

"Thomas Munro, Esq.,
County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"GLASGOW CORPORATION TRAMWAYS.
"PROPOSED EXTENSION TO COATBRIDGE.

"With reference to the proposal of the Corporation of Glasgow to extend their tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge, I am directed by the Tramways Committee of my Council to ascertain whether the views of the County Council in regard to the proposal are as expressed in your letter to this office of 27th November, 1908.

"I shall be glad to hear from you at your early convenience.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "JNO. ALSTON,
"*Town-Clerk.*
"p. W. S."

The Clerk reminded the committee that the decision of the County Council in the year 1908, referred to by the Town-Clerk of Coatbridge in his letter, was to the following effect. "That in view of the fact that the Town Council of Coatbridge were desirous that the Glasgow Corporation Tramways should be extended from Baillieston to Coatbridge, the County Council should not oppose any application by the Corporation for the necessary Parliamentary powers to enable them to carry out such an extension, provided that the road was suitable for the construction of tramways, and that conditions similar to those inserted at the instance of the County Council in connection with previous tramway extensions in the county were also inserted in the Provisional Order or Private Bill, authorising the extension." It was agreed before giving a definite reply to the Town-Clerk of Coatbridge to appoint a sub-committee to further consider the matter, and report, with power to meet with representatives of other local authorities within whose territories extensions of the Tramway System of Glasgow Corporation were at present being contemplated. The following sub-committee was appointed:—The Convener, Vice-Convener, the Chairman, and Messrs. Adam, Anderson, Buchanan, Shanks, and Hope Vere.

Letter from County Clerk of Renfrewshire.

The Clerk also read to the meeting a letter from the County Clerk of Renfrewshire, dated 16th current, stating that intimation had been made to the County Council of Renfrew by the Corporation of Glasgow of their intention to make application to Parliament, in November next, for permission to construct, *inter alia*, a tramway from Cathcart to Clarkston, and also a tramway from Anniesland to Blawarthill, both in the County of Renfrew. The County Clerk of Renfrewshire inquired if any extension of the Glasgow tramways was contemplated in the County of Lanark, and as to the conditions on which consent would be given by the County Council to such extension being proceeded with.

The Clerk stated that he had informed the County Clerk of Renfrewshire that this sub-committee was considering the question raised by him, and had promised to communicate with him subsequent to this meeting.

Conference of Representatives of County Councils.

The sub-committee unanimously agreed that the Clerk should write to the County Clerk of Renfrewshire, and also to the County Clerk of Dunbartonshire, within which latter County it was understood extensions of the Glasgow Corporation Tramways were also in contemplation, inviting representatives of the County Councils of these counties to meet with the sub-committee on some convenient date towards the end of this month to consider the whole matter, with a view to, if possible, coming to an understanding as to the general conditions on which the respective County Councils should consent to future extensions of the Glasgow Corporation Tramways.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

30th July, 1913

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 30th July, 1913, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

James Anderson.	William Neilson.
Colonel Buchanan.	Gavin A. Shanks.
George Fraser.	William Spiers.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	Colonel King Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
William Love.	William Templeton.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 25th June, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member, having been submitted, were after adjustment, approved of.

Minutes of joint meeting re Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order.

The minutes of the joint meeting of this Committee with the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee, appointed with reference to the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913, of dates 25th June, and 16th July (Appendices I. and II.), which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Committee, were submitted and read.

The Clerk reported that the deputation appointed at the joint meeting on 16th July had proceeded to London and interviewed the Scottish Office regarding clauses 40 and 46. As regards clause 40 (now clause 39), which authorises the District Committee to lay mains outside the limits of the Middle Ward Water District for the purpose of supplying water within those limits, the Scottish Office intimated to the deputation that as a special case had, in their opinion, been made for an extension of these powers throughout the whole of the Middle Ward District they were prepared to grant the clause to this extent; but as regards the Upper Ward, in view of the fact that the clause would create a precedent, they were indisposed to extend the powers so as to apply in that area They undertook, however, to reconsider the matter in view of the representations of the deputation. The Clerk stated that the Scottish Office had now intimated that on reconsideration they were not prepared to extend the powers further than they had stated to the deputation.

The Clerk reported that the deputation had also endeavoured to obtain wider powers under Clause 19, affecting afforestation, and that the Scottish Office had extended the clause so as to enable any lands acquired for the pusposes of the water undertaking to be used for afforestation, but they were apparently not prepared to extend hee clause furtner.

The Clerk also stated that the Scottish Office had drawn attention to the provisions of Clause 44 (6) dealing with special charges, but that as this clause was generally in the terms of the Public Health Acts and had been agreed to by the Petitioners against the Order, it was thought inexpedient to make any alteration at this stage. The meeting approved.

The Clerk further reported that the Order had now been made by the Scottish Office, and that the confirming Bill was read for the first time on 23rd July. The second reading of the Bill has been fixed for 31st July.

Report by Clerk regarding matters in last minute.

In connection with the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, the Clerk reported that no further communication had been received from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell regarding the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Order; that the Extension of Polling Hours Bill had been passed and that no amendment had been made affecting the interests of Local Authorities; and that the Employment of Children Bill and the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Bill had both been withdrawn on 22nd July.

Local Government (Adjustments) Bill.

The meeting having taken into consideration the Local Government (Adjustments) Bill, the Clerk explained that the Bill had been introduced by the President of the Local Government Board to give effect, so far as regards England, to the Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed in 1911 to consider the question of financial adjustment consequent on the formation and extension of Burghs. The Bill as introduced applies to England only, and a strong effort is being made by the County Councils Association to have the Bill made applicable to Scotland also. The meeting approved and instructed the Clerk to take such steps as he might consider advisable to secure this end.

Mental Deficiency Bill.

The Clerk reported that the Mental Deficiency Bill had passed through Committee, and that the following amendments which affected the interests of County Councils had been inserted, vizt:—

(1) Constitution of District Boards—Instead of the proposals of the Bill, which were to the effect that representation by County and Town Councils should cease, the Boards now fall to be constituted as follows, vizt:—two-thirds elected by County and Town Councils, and one-third by Parish Councils. A provision has been inserted in the Bill that in addition to the members elected by County Parish, and Town Councils, not more than two women should be co-opted, in the event of their being no women elected to the Board by direct representation.

(2) That one-half of the maintenance rate in respect of mental defectives and one-half of the maintenance rate in respect of pauper lunatics should in future, be levied by County and Town Councils respectively within the jurisdiction of the District Board, subject to a proviso that all receipts presently and in future receivable by Parish Councils, such as Government Grants, and payments by patients or their relatives, should be credited so as to secure that one-half of these receipts forms a deduction from the amount assessed on the whole district.

National Insurance Act Amendment Bill.

With reference to the National Insurance Act Amendment Bill introduced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Clerk reported that he had been consulted with regard to a clause which proposed to make it clear that County Councils should have power to borrow for the erection of Sanatoria under any approved scheme in virtue of section 64 (1) of the National Insurance Act. He stated that there were a number of other amendments in the paper but none of them seemed to prejudically affect the position of County Councils.

Highlands and Islands (Medical Service) Bill.

The Clerk submitted a print of the Highlands and Islands (Medical Service) Bill, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Committee. As introduced, the Bill applied *inter alia* to the Highlands of Perthshire, and it was thought that some parts of the Upper Ward of Lanarkshire equally deserved the benefits proposed by the Bill. With this in view, Sir Walter Menzies had put down an amendment to have the scope of the Bill extended to certain of the

outlying parishes in the Middle and Upper Wards of the County, but as the Highlands of Perthshire had been struck out of the Bill, Sir Walter Menzies withdrew his amendment, in view of the fact that the Bill being now confined to the Crofting Counties, the case for exceptional treatment for Lanarkshire was not so evident.

Proposed extension of the Burgh of Renfrew.

The Clerk read the following letter which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Renfrew, viz. :—

"Town Clerk's Office,
"Renfrew, 16*th July*, 1913.

"The County Clerk,
"Hamilton,

"DEAR SIR,

"BOUNDARIES.

"I have now got the consent of all the parties interested in the area proposed to be added to Renfrew except the City of Glasgow. The Town Clerk whom I have seen on the subject will let me hear definitely in a fortnight. I expect to present the necessary Petition to the Sheriff in the beginning of August.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"ANDREW R. HARPER."

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-MEETING *RE* LANARKSHIRE (MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT) WATER ORDER, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 25th June, 1913, being a joint-meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark and of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee appointed in connection with the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913. 25th June, 1913.

Present—

Members of the Parliamentary Bills Committee :—

John Adam.	*Robert Lambie.
James Anderson.	*William Love.
Colonel Buchanan.	*William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	Gavin A. Shanks.
*George Fraser.	William Sym.
*Alexander Hamilton.	William Templeton
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	James Tonner.

James C. Hope Vere.

Members of Special Committee of Middle Ward District Committee :

James Cameron. | James Steele, Senr.

David Thomson.

(*Note.*—Those members whose names are marked with an asterisk are also members of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee.)

Mr. George Fraser was appointed Chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

Report by Clerk re Objections by Scottish Office

The Clerk reported that, while the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order had not yet been made by the Secretary for Scotland, the only matters which had still to be adjusted arose out of clauses 40 and 46 of the Draft Order as modified by the Commissioners. Clause 40 confers power upon the District Committee to lay water mains outside the Middle Ward Water District for the purpose of supplying water within it, while clause 46 fixes the period for repayment of loans. The Clerk was of opinion that the terms of clause 46 could be readily adjusted, but the objections of the Secretary for Scotland to the provisions of clause 40 presented some difficulty. It had been thought that it might be possible to settle the terms of the Order locally, and with that object the Clerk, along with the District Clerk and Mr. Lambie, had an interview with representatives of the Scottish Office in Edinburgh on 29th May. Since that date, however, the Council's Parliamentary Agents had been in communication with the Scottish Office in London, and had written to the Clerk on 10th current stating that it would expedite matters if he could arrange to come to London and discuss matters with Mr. Lamb of the Scottish Office. On the motion of Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Thomson, it was unanimously agreed to instruct the Clerk to go to London, along with the District Clerk, for the purpose of interviewing Mr. Lamb.

APPENDIX II.

JOINT-MEETING *RE* LANARKSHIRE (MIDDLE WARD DISTRICT) WATER ORDER, 1913.

16th July, 1913. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 16th July, 1913, being a Joint-meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark and of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee appointed in connection with the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913.

Present—

Members of the Parliamentary Bills Committee:—

John Adam.	*William Neilson.
James H. Fenton.	Colonel King Stewart.
*George Fraser.	William Sym.
*William Love.	William Templeton.

James Tonner.

Members of Special Committee of Middle Ward District Committee:—

James Cameron.	David Thomson.

(*Note.*—Those members whose names are marked with an asterisk are also members of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee.)

Chairman. Mr. George Fraser was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting.

Apologies for absence. Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Lambie and Mr. Whyte.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting, of date 25th June, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the Joint-Committee, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Clause 40 and 46.—Report by Clerk. The Clerk reported that, as instructed at last meeting, he had, along with Mr. Whyte, proceeded to London and interviewed Mr. Lamb, of the Scottish Office, regarding Clauses 40 and 46 of the Order. As regards Clause 40, which authorises the District Committee to lay mains outside the limits of the Middle Ward Water District for the purpose of supplying within these limits, the Clerk was under the impression that Mr. Whyte and he had met Mr. Lamb's objections by agreeing to amend the clause to make it clear that the District Committee could not, under the powers conferred by the clause, construct any of the works shown on the deposited plans. On 10th current, however, when in London, he had received intimation from the Council's Parliamentary Agents that the Scottish Office were of the opinion that the powers conferred by Clause 40 should be confined to the areas within the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw. Messrs. Grahames, Currey, & Spens had also subsequently written to him to the same effect. He also stated that as regards Clause 46 (Borrowing Powers), the Scottish Office had decided, as the result of an interview with Lord Camperdown, to retain that clause in its present form, but he understood they would favourably regard a representation from the County Council that borrowed money should, in terms

of the proviso inserted to permit of this, be repayable within 50 years on the annuity principle. As Parliament might adjourn on 8th August, the time for getting the Order confirmed this session was becoming extremely short, and it would therefore be necessary for the Committee to decide whether in the circumstances they should accept the Scottish Office's proposed decision on Clause 40 without further objections.

Protection to be offered to proprietors in Upper Ward.

The Committee were of opinion that every effort should be made to have the terms of Clause 40 retained, and, with a view of obviating the opposition of any proprietors who might think their interests imperilled by the clause, agreed to offer to the Scottish Office to insert in the Order provisions extending to all owners the same protection as the Trustees of Lord Colebrooke had obtained before the Commissioners.

Deputation appointed to interview Scottish Office.

The Committee further resolved to appoint the Convener, Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Lambie, as a deputation to go to London at once with the Clerk and Mr. Whyte, and interview the Scottish Office, with power when in London to consult with the local Members of Parliament, and to take such other action as they might think necessary—Mr. Fenton dissenting from this decision.

Clause 46.

As regards Clause 46, it was agreed, in view of the indication that the Scottish Office would favourably regard a representation that borrowed money should be repayable within 50 years on the annuity principle, to accept the clause as it now stood.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 6th August, 1913, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 6th August, 1913.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.	James Anderson.
George Fraser.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
William M. Marshall.	William Templeton.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 30th July, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Local Government (Adjustments) Bill.—Statement by Clerk.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk reported that, while at one period the prospects seemed favourable to the provisions of the Local Government (Adjustments) Bill being made applicable to Scotland, consequent upon certain representations made to him on behalf of the Burghs, the Secretary for Scotland had since indicated that, as there was no agreement between the Counties and Burghs in Scotland as in England, he thought it inexpedient meantime that the Bill should apply to Scotland. This statement might therefore be taken as the decision of the Government in so far as the House of Commons was concerned, and the Bill would now go forward to the House of Lords purely as an English measure.

Remit to sub-Committee.

The Clerk having further reported fully in regard to the action which was being taken in the interests of the Scotch Counties, the meeting approved of what had been done, and with a view to endeavouring to obtain an amendment of the Bill in the House of Lords, extending its provisions to Scotland, remitted to the following sub-committee to take such action as they might deem advisable, viz.:—

George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth,
Robert Lambie.
William Neilson.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
James C. Hope Vere.

The Clerk was instructed meantime to write to the Parliamentary Agents to ascertain the latest developments, and thereafter to communicate with the members of the sub-committee.

With reference to the National Insurance Act (Amendment Bill), the Clerk reported that clauses which had been inserted in the Bill, providing as follows, viz.:—

"(1) For the purpose of providing institutions a County Council in Scotland shall have power to borrow, in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, on the security of the general purposes rate as applied by Section 80 of the principal Act, such sums as may be required, and shall have power to acquire, purchase, or take on lease any land, and the provisions of Section 5 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1908, shall apply accordingly as if this Act were specified therein;

"(2) Expenses of a District Committee defrayed out of the Public Health General Assessment within the district, in pursuance of an agreement under the principal Act or this Act, or in the exercise of any power of dealing with tuberculosis as an infectious disease, shall not be reckoned in any calculation as to the statutory limit of that assessment."

He also reported that the Government had adopted an amendment of Clause 39 of the Bill, notice of which had been given by Sir Henry Craik, and the terms of which were as follows, viz.:—

"A County Council in Scotland that has been authorised by the Board to provide an institution in terms of Section 64, Sub-section (2) of the principal Act, shall have the same powers of providing treatment for all persons suffering from tuberculosis as are possessed by Local Authorities under the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897,"

and he stated that notice had since been given by Mr. Pringle, M.P., that the clause be amended as follows, viz.:—

"Provided that where a Local Authority under the last-mentioned Act have a duly approved scheme for dealing with tuberculosis, these powers shall not be conferred on the County Council with reference to the area to which the scheme applies."

After discussion, Mr. Lambie moved that the meeting approve of Mr. Pringle's amendment, which was seconded by Mr. Hamilton.

Mr. Marshall moved, by way of amendment, that the meeting express the opinion that the amendment proposed by Mr. Pringle is unnecessary, which was seconded by Mr. Speirs.

On the amendment and motion having been put to the meeting, and vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted for the amendment, which was accordingly declared carried.

The Clerk having reported that the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Bill had, along with a number of other Private Bills, been, meantime, blocked, at the instance of an Irish member of Parliament, he was authorised to take such steps as he might consider advisable with a view to having the block removed.

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LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 30th July, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Lanark County Tramways. 30th July, 1913.

Present—

ROBERT LAMBIE. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
WILLIAM M. MARSHALL. | Colonel KING STEWART.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

In the absence of Mr. Fraser, from whom an apology was intimated, Colonel King Stewart was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 4th June, which had been approved by the County Council on 11th June, were submitted and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported regarding the several matters aftermentioned, and the sub-committee gave instructions thereanent, as follows:— *Report by Clerk.*

PROPOSED DIVERSION OF TELEGRAPHS AT BELLSHILL.

The Postmaster had written, on 23rd June, 1913, explaining that his estimate of £495 for removing the telegraphs other than those in Main Street, Bellshill, included all the wires to be altered as mentioned in the list prepared by Mr. Moller, but no detailed estimate applicable to the particular lines had been furnished. Mr. Moller had been consulted, and on 26th June he wrote stating that there was no alternative but to agree to the Postmaster's terms. The work of altering these telegraphs, which was urgent, had already been commenced.

POSITIONS OF TRAMWAY POLES.

Plans showing the positions of the tramway poles in connection with the new tramways had been submitted to the District Committee, and on 3rd July the District Clerk wrote intimating his committee's approval of the plans, provided the actual positions of the poles were arranged to the satisfaction of the Road Surveyor, District Engineer, and Water Engineer.

The telegraphs on the north side of Main Street, Bellshill, were in course of removal, but the work of removing the telegraphs on the south side of that street could not be carried out for some months. Arrangements had, however, been made with the Post Office Engineer for a temporary alteration of the telegraphs on the south side of Main Street, Bellshill, which would enable the tramway poles to be erected now in their permanent positions.

Proposed Strengthening of Bridge of North British Railway Company at Uddingston.

The Clerk had submitted to the North British Railway Company the plan proposed by Mr. Moller for strengthening this bridge, at a cost of about £60. The Secretary to the Railway Company wrote, on 30th June, 1913, that his Company's Engineer could not agree to the method of strengthening the bridge proposed, as it would be impossible, if the strengthening were carried out, to do any painting to the sides of the Company's two girders immediately under the tramway rails, and on the inside next to the strengthening girders, nor could the sides of these latter be kept painted next to the existing girders, and corrosion would be the result.

Mr. Moller had been acquainted with the terms of the Secretary's letter, and on 2nd July he wrote that he would take up the matter again with Messrs. Formans & M'Call.

On 15th July Mr. Moller sent the Clerk a tracing of a new scheme of strengthening the bridge, devised by Messrs. Formans & M'Call, to overcome the objection stated by the Railway Engineer to the former scheme. Messrs. Formans & M'Call suggested that it might hasten matters if they were to meet the Railway Engineer, and the Clerk had expressed his approval of their doing so. As a result of an interview which they had with the Railway Engineer, Messrs. Formans & M'Call wrote to Mr. Moller on 25th July, explaining that the only objection offered by the Railway Engineer to the proposed plan was that it would not lend itself to being incorporated with the renewal of the rest of the bridge when this came to be carried out. Messrs. Formans & M'Call suggested that, in the circumstances, the Railway Company might be informed that the County Council was prepared either to carry out the strengthening of the bridge in the manner shown or in such similar manner as might be agreed, or, alternatively, that in the event of the Railway Company deciding to renew the bridge, the County Council would be prepared to consider a contribution. Accordingly, on 28th current, the Clerk wrote to the Railway Company, asking them to approve of the plan submitted, but stating that—if the Railway Company contemplated rebuilding the bridge in the near future and it would get over the difficulty—the County Council might make a contribution approximating to the cost which they would otherwise incur in strengthening the bridge.

The meeting agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk to make the best arrangement possible.

Properties to be Acquired.

M'Callum's Property, Uddingston.—The titles of this property had been examined, and the transaction was going on. The property to be conveyed to the County Council seemed to include a small portion of vacant ground, Mr. M'Callum's title to which was doubtful, but this matter would be cleared up.

The Lanarkshire Tramways Company had expressed their approval of the purchase of the strip of ground for £300 rather than the acquisition of the site of the small confectioner's shop for £250. Their approval is contained in a letter from Messrs. Wm. & J. C. Pollok, dated 18th June, 1913.

Bell's Trustees.—The committee, at last meeting, had under consideration an offer by Bell's Trustees to sell a small piece of ground in front of their

property at New Stevenston, extending to about 50 yards, for £65, when consideration of the proposal was continued. Mr. Moller reported that he hoped yet to be able to lay the tramway line without interfering with this property, and consideration of the offer was again adjourned.

Livey's Trustees.—At a meeting on 8th January last the sub-committee left in the hands of the Clerk the proposal by Mr. Alex. Livey's Trustees to throw into the roadway a portion of the pavement in front of the Trustees' property in New Stevenston, on condition that the County Council undertook to pave the remainder of the pavement with granolithic, and paid the expense which would be incurred by the Trustees in connection with the transaction.

The Clerk had recently had a call from Mr. Pollok, who stated that, as the result of a meeting which he had had with Mr. Jarvie, Mr. Livey's Trustees were prepared to give up the piece of ground for the sum of £15. Mr. Pollok also stated that Mr. Bryce, an adjoining proprietor, was willing to throw into the street a portion of his pavement to complete the improvement at that point, on condition that the County Council laid the remainder of his pavement with granolithic.

The meeting agreed to accept the offers of Mr. Livey's Trustees and Mr. Bryce, but remitted to the Clerk, before accepting the offers, to communicate with the Tramway Company and ascertain whether the whole or parts of these properties do not fall to be acquired by them under their Act of 1903.

Fullwood Highway Improvement.—Mr. Whyte, District Clerk, had recently reported to the Clerk that in connection with the improvement of the Fullwood Highway he had been in communication with Mr. James Stewart, owner of the property at the corner of Christie Street and Fullwood Highway, of which a strip was required for widening the road. Mr. Stewart was agreeable to give up the ground required for the improvement, and to refer to Mr. Robert Park, builder, Motherwell, the question as to what compensation should be paid to him. The other proprietors of ground adjoining Mr. Stewart's feu, from whose properties portions would also require to be taken, had, it was understood, indicated that they would also give up their ground and accept Mr. Park as arbiter.

The meeting agreed to acquire the portions of these properties necessary for the improvement, and to accept the arbiter proposed. It was remitted to the Clerk to adjust the terms of the submission to Mr. Park with Mr. Stewart and the other proprietors.

Clydesdale Road Improvement.—The only other improvement in connection with which negotiations were going on was the acquisition of a strip of ground fronting three feus in Clydesdale Road almost opposite New Stevenston Public School. The three proprietors were Mr. Henry George Eynon, Mr. Thomas Chambers, and Mr. Andrew Smith.

Mr. Eynon had indicated that he would give up his ground, on condition that the County Council erected a parapet wall, with iron railing and necessary gates, laid a footpath, and paid him a reasonable sum. The extent of the ground to be taken from Mr. Eynon was approximately 42 square yards, and he suggested a payment of £50 in addition to the carrying out of the works mentioned. He wished the County Council to make him an offer.

Mr. Chambers wrote, on 28th July, offering to sell the portion of ground opposite his property, which measures approximately 34 square yards, for the sum of £75, on condition that the County Council shifted back the present fence, formed a footpath, and paid him £75, or alternatively, built a stone parapet wall, with iron railings, gates, &c., formed a footpath, and paid the sum of £50.

No communication has yet been received from Mr. Smith.

The Clerk stated that the Board of Trade had recommended that these pieces of ground should be acquired, but that no Parliamentary powers had been obtained for this purpose.

The committee instructed the Clerk to inform Messrs. Eynon and Chambers that they would be willing to build a stone parapet wall, with suitable iron railings and gates, on the new line of frontage, to form a footpath, and relieve them of all expenses in connection with the matter, but that the committee were not prepared to make a money payment, as in their opinion the improvement effected by their operations would be sufficient compensation for the small pieces of ground required.

The meeting further remitted to the Clerk to endeavour to arrange terms with Mr. Andrew Smith and the other proprietors.

Fullwood Road Lighting.

The District Committee had approved of the British Thomson-Houston Company carrying out the removal of the poles and wires belonging to Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds at Clydesdale, and the transference of the present wires to brackets on the tramway poles, provided the number of lights remains the same. This matter was now all in order.

Claim by Mr. P. N. Cunningham.

Mr. P. N. Cunningham, manager of the Clydesdale Iron and Steel Works, Mossend, wrote, on 4th June, complaining of the condition of the Clydesdale Road. His complaint was communicated forthwith to the Engineer, with a request that he would do all he could to have the complaint obviated.

Mr. Cunningham again wrote, on 25th June, intimating that he had broken the axle of his car, and that he attributed this to having to go upon the footpath to pass a carriage conveying tramway rails which blocked up the part of the road open for traffic. Mr. Cunningham intimated that he held the County Council responsible for the damage. He also made further complaint regarding the general conduct of operations in connection with the tramways.

Mr. Cunningham's claim had been intimated to the British Thomson-Houston Company, and a copy of the report made by Mr. Moller to the Company had been obtained. Mr. Moller stated in that report that no liability attached to the County Council or the Contractor, the accident being due to Mr. Cunningham's fault in going on the pavement to obviate the few minutes' delay requisite to allow the traffic to get through.

Mr. Cunningham had again written, on 26th July, complaining of the matter, but, in accordance with the terms of a letter received from the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, on 18th July, Mr. Cunningham has been informed that the matter had again been referred to the Engineer.

The Clerk also reported that he had received a letter from the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, stating that Mr. Cunningham should make a claim against his Insurance Company, and leave them to treat with the Contractors, and that he was writing to Mr. Cunningham to that effect.

Lowering of Road at Fallside and Mossend.

Specifications for the work requiring to be done at the Caledonian Railway Bridges at Fallside and Mossend had been prepared by Messrs. Formans & M'Call, and forwarded to the Caledonian Railway Company, who, on 18th June, intimated that they had no objection to the work being carried out as proposed, and that it would be quite in order if carried out by the County Council's Contractor at the sight and to the satisfaction of the Company's Engineer. The work was now well on towards completion.

Cables, &c., of Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company.

This Company, on 6th June, wrote to Mr. Moller, raising objections to the position of the tramway track, on the ground that its construction on the

line proposed would interfere with their access to their cables, manholes, and other property, and asking that at certain places the tramway track should be deviated. Mr. Moller declined to alter the position of the tramway track, but offered to alter the Company's manholes where this could be done. Where this was impossible he was willing to work the traffic in such a way that if at any time the Company required access to their cables they would get this.

The Company wrote, on 16th June, asking the Clerk to confirm this, but he had not done so pending an interview which was to take place between Mr. Moller and the Company's Engineer. This interview has taken place, and there seemed no obstacle to the Clerk now confirming Mr. Moller's undertaking.

Since the last communication from the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company it has been found necessary to shift a portion of their cable at the North British Railway Bridge at Bellshill, which was so placed that it would have been directly under one of the car rails.

The meeting approved of the Clerk confirming the arrangement made by the Engineer with the Clyde Valley Company.

Telegraph Wires at Railway Bridges.

In connection with the construction of the tramways, it had been found necessary to have the telegraph lines belonging to the Railway Companies altered where these crossed under or over the roads in which the tramways are being laid. All this work had been completed.

The meeting approved.

Caledonian Railway Company's Bridge at Clydesdale.

On stripping the railway bridge at the entrance to Messrs. Stewarts & Lloyds' Works at Clydesdale, it was found that the flooring of the bridge was badly corroded. On taking the matter up with the Railway Company, the Engineer was informed that new flooring was to be put in. Meantime the tramway track would be laid temporarily on timber. The Railway Company expected the new flooring to be laid within the next three months. The carrying out of the work might necessitate the stopping of traffic on the road for one or two Sundays, and arrangements would be made for the tramway traffic to be stopped on either side of the bridge, and the passengers transferred between the cars.

The meeting approved.

Engineer's Remuneration.

The Clerk reported that up to date the following payments had been made to the British Thomson-Houston Company, Limited, viz.:—

22nd May, 1913,	£7,031	15	8
4th June, „	5,595	5	8
4th June, „	2,180	17	1
3rd July, „	4,852	5	0
	£19,660	3	5

and that the work was so far advanced that a substantial payment could be made to Mr. Moller to account of his remuneration as Engineer. The meeting agreed to pay Mr. Moller £350 to account of his fee.

Opening of New Tramways.

Mr. Moller reported that he anticipated the portion of the new lines from New Stevenston to Bellshill would be completed by about the middle of August.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

10th September, 1913. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 10th September, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Lanark County Tramways.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON. | WILLIAM NEILSON.

Attending—

G. F. MÖLLER, Engineer.

Chairman. Mr. George Fraser, Chairman of the Sub-Committee, presiding.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was intimated from Colonel King Stewart.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of last meeting of the Sub-Committee, of date 30th July, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member, were submitted, and, after adjustment, were approved of.

Delay in removal of telegraph poles at Bellshill. Mr. Hamilton having drawn attention to the delay which had taken place in connection with the removal of the telegraph poles on the south side of Main Street, Bellshill, it was agreed that the Clerk should communicate with the Post-Office Engineers, and ask them, if possible, to expedite the removal of these poles.

Report by Clerk. The Clerk reported regarding the several matters after-mentioned and the sub-committee gave instructions thereanent, as follows:—

PROPOSED STRENGTHENING OF NORTH BRITISH RAILWAY COMPANY'S BRIDGE AT COAL ROAD, UDDINGSTON.

The Clerk had written to the Secretary of the North British Railway Company suggesting that, in lieu of going to the expense of strengthening this bridge, the County Council might make a contribution towards the cost of renewing the bridge approximating to the cost which the County Council would incur in strengthening it. Almost contemporaneously with his letter, Messrs. Formans & M'Call had submitted a further plan to the Railway Company's Engineer, showing a method of strengthening the bridge which would lend itself to the renewal of the remainder of the structure. On 8th August, the Secretary of the Railway Company had written to the Clerk stating that none of the plans submitted were satisfactory, and that the amount proposed to be contributed towards the cost of renewing the bridge was inadequate, and that to renew the bridge of sufficient strength to carry the tramways would, according to his Company's Engineer, cost £120 more than to renew it as it stood. In addition to this, the bridge was not due for renewal for at least five years, and accordingly the sum which the County Council would require to contribute would be £120, plus interest at 5 per cent. on the total cost of renewal, estimated at £543, for five years discounted for a present payment, or about £250 in all. This, the Secretary claimed, really represented the extra cost which would be incurred by the Company under Section 41 of the Lanark County Tramways Act, 1912. On 14th ultimo the Clerk had written stating that the terms proposed by the Railway Company were not such as the County Council could consider; but he had offered as a

compromise to increase the County Council's contribution to £90. This offer, however, the Railway Company had declined. The Clerk had, thereafter, inquired at Mr. Möller if he had any suggestion to make, and he in turn had consulted Messrs. Formans & M'Call, who had reported that they had no further suggestion to make for the strengthening of the bridge, but had arranged to make an examination of the bridge and test it for deflection. After testing the bridge with the County road roller, weighing 15 tons 19 cwts., or 3 tons more than a loaded tramway car, the deflection of the two centre girders over which the tram rails would run was found to be negligible. Mr. Möller had also stated that the roller had passed regularly over the bridge every day for three months, whilst the road was being repaired some months ago.

The Committee, with a view to an amicable settlement of the matter, authorised the Clerk to increase the contribution offered by him from £90 to £120, and at the same time instructed him to intimate to the Railway Company that, if they resolved to adhere to their previous decision, the County Council would, in view of the result of the test made on the bridge, claim the right to lay the tramway across the bridge as it existed without making any payment.

Properties to be Acquired.

Bell's Trustees and Livey's Trustees.—Mr. Pollok, local agent for the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, had indicated that he would advise the Tramway Company to deal with the question of acquiring these properties, as the ground to be taken was really required for the purposes of the existing tramways.

Fullwood Highway Improvement.—Subsequent to last meeting a letter of submission to Mr. Park as arbiter had been prepared. Before, however, the letter was executed, Mr. James Stewart had stated that Mr. Park had already been advising him on the subject of the compensation to be asked from the County Council. In these circumstances, Mr. Park had been asked if he was free to act as Arbiter, but he had informed the Clerk that he was so far committed in the matter that he did not see his way to take up the reference. Mr. Whyte, District Clerk, had since seen Mr. Stewart, and suggested that he might submit the claim which he had been advised by Mr. Park to make, and Mr. Stewart had indicated that he would do this.

It was agreed to leave this matter in the hands of the Chairman and Clerk.

Clydesdale Road Improvement.—The Committee's views had been communicated to Mr. Eynon and Mr. Chambers. Mr. Eynon was still in negotiation with the Clerk, but Mr. Chambers had not yet answered the Clerk's letter, while Mr. Smith had taken no notice of any of the letters addressed to him.

In this connection, Mr. Möller reported that he had been able to lay the tramways past these properties without interfering with them.

In these circumstances, while the acquisition of the portions of these properties was not now so urgent a matter as previously, the Committee agreed that the offer already made to the proprietors should still be left open to them if they thought fit to accept it, and remitted to the Clerk to continue his negotiations.

Claim by Mr. P. N. Cunningham.

The Clerk had informed Mr. Cunningham that he should make a claim against his insurance company, and leave them to treat with the Contractors. Mr. Cunningham had agreed to do so.

Lowering of Calder Road, Mossend.

The lowering of this road to enable the tramways to be laid under the railway bridge had left the pavement at a higher level than the roadway. The District Road Surveyor had suggested that the pavement might be left at that level, and a railing erected along the kerb to protect pedestrians. A Sub-Committee of the District Committee, however, had inspected the spot and

had decided that the better course was to lower the pavement to correspond with the altered level of the roadway. This necessitated the rebuilding of the parapet walls in front of the houses facing the road and the altering of the accesses to these houses. Preparations were being made for carrying out the work. Alterations would also require to be made on the accesses to the Coltness Cottages. A plan of these had been sent to the Coltness Company for approval.

The meeting approved.

ACCIDENT TO GEORGE DOCHERTY.

On 2nd August last, George Docherty, residing at Isabank Buildings, Main Street, Bellshill, had intimated to Mr. Whyte. District Clerk. that he had sustained injuries on the night of 26th July, through tripping over a projection on the granolithic pavement in Main Street, Bellshill. Mr. Whyte had obtained a report on the pavement from the District Road Surveyor to the effect that the condition of the granolithic was due to the tramway operations. Mr. Möller. on the other hand, was of opinion that the condition of the pavement was the result, either of the expansion of the granolithic during the hot weather in the early part of July, or of the mineral workings, but that the tramway operations had nothing to do with the matter. Mr. Docherty had placed his claim in the hands of Mr. George T. Sneddon, solicitor, Holytown, who had written to the District Clerk, stating that his client's claim would amount to £25. The claim had been intimated to the Contractors in order that the company with which they were insured might deal with it so far as the County Council were concerned. It was understood that the insurance company with which the District Committee were insured was likely to settle the claim for £15, and would probably arrange with the Contractor's insurance company to share the loss.

Account of Caledonian Railway Company.

Payment of an account of £420, being the cost incurred by the Caledonian Railway Company in altering the telegraph wires at the three bridges at Mossend and Milnwood, certified as correct by Mr. Möller, was approved.

Board of Trade inspection of new tramways.

Mr. Möller, after replying to certain inquiries by members of the committee as to the progress of the works, reported that he hoped to have the tramways from New Stevenston to Bellshill Cross ready for inspection by the Board of Trade Inspector by 24th instant. The Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Board of Trade informing them of this, and to arrange, if possible, for the inspection taking place on Thursday, 25th September, in order that the members of committee might have an opportunity of being present. Pending the formal inspection of the work, the Clerk was instructed to request the Board's permission to the running of a service of cars between New Stevenston and Bellshill.

LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 1st October, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Lanark County Tramways. 1st October, 1913.

Present—

George Fraser.	William M. Marshall.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Neilson.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.
G. F. Möller, A.M.I.E.E.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

An apology for absence was intimated from Colonel King Stewart. *Apology for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 10th September, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the chairman. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that Mr. Monks, Chairman of the Lanarkshire Tramways Company, accompanied by Mr. Clements, Secretary to that Company, and Mr. Walton, of the British Thomson-Houston Company, had yesterday inspected the extension of the tramways. He and the chairman of the committee, and Mr. Whyte, had had an opportunity of meeting Mr. Monks and the other gentlemen, who expressed themselves as satisfied with the progress of the work. *Meeting with Chairman and Secretary of Lanarkshire Tramways Company.*

The Clerk reported regarding the several matters after-mentioned, and the sub-committee gave instructions thereanent, as follows:— *Report by Clerk.*

REMOVAL OF TELEGRAPH POLES IN BELLSHILL.

With reference to the paragraph in the minute of the last meeting regarding the removal of the telegraph poles on the south side of Main Street, Bellshill, the Clerk had, as instructed, written to the Post Office Authorities requesting them, if possible, to expedite the removal of these poles. A formal acknowledgment of this letter was received on 15th ultimo. It was understood that the work would be commenced as soon as practicable, but that it might be two or three months yet before the work could be carried out.

The Clerk was instructed to write again to the Secretary of the Post Office expressing disappointment at the delay, and urging him to use the utmost expedition in having the poles removed.

STRENGTHENING OF NORTH BRITISH RAILWAY COMPANY'S BRIDGE AT COAL ROAD, UDDINGSTON.

As instructed at last meeting, the Clerk wrote to the North British Railway Company, intimating that the County Council would increase their contribution towards the cost of a new bridge to £120, but could not entertain the idea of exceeding that sum. He also informed the Company

that if they adhered to their previous decision, the County Council would, in view of the result of the test made on the bridge, claim the right to lay the tramway across it as it stood, without making any payment. No further communication has so far been received from the Railway Company.

The committee decided that, in the absence of any communication from the Railway Company, the laying of the rails across the bridge should now be proceeded with.

The Clerk stated that Mr. Walton, to whom the position of matters had been explained, approved of this course being adopted.

PROPERTIES TO BE ACQUIRED.

Fullwood Highway Improvement.—The Clerk had been in communication with Mr. Stewart regarding the acquisition of a portion of his property, but Mr. Stewart had written to him, on 30th ultimo, intimating that he preferred to proceed no further in the matter.

In these circumstances, the committee decided to abandon the proposal to acquire the portion of Mr. Stewart's property and of the two adjoining properties, as the tramways had been laid past these properties without causing inconvenience.

As regards the property at the corner of Christie Street, however, the committee considered that it would be expedient to open negotiations with the proprietor for the acquisition of a strip of his ground, but before actually communicating with him it was decided to inspect the property on a convenient date.

Clydesdale Road Improvement.—Negotiations were still going on with Mr. Eynon. Mr. Eynon's position was that the committee's offer to give him a new parapet wall and railing, with suitable gate, and to lay a pavement, proposed to be formed opposite his property, with granolithic, was inadequate compared with the consideration given to other proprietors.

The committee saw no reason to alter their decision regarding this matter, but agreed to inspect this property also when visiting the ground at the corner of Christie Street, Bellshill.

UDDINGSTON COAL ROAD.

The work of laying the tramways on the Uddingston Coal Road was now in progress. It would be necessary in the course of the work to widen the parapet of the bridge carrying the road over a burn, and this was being attended to.

The committee approved.

LOWERING OF CALDER ROAD, MOSSEND.

The rebuilding of the parapet walls opposite the houses on the west side of the Calder Road adjoining the railway bridge was in course of completion. The parapet walls were being rebuilt in a style rather superior to the walls which previously existed, but Mr. Möller was of opinion that had the Tramway Company been carrying out the work for themselves they would have incurred the extra expense on the walls with the view of dealing liberally with the proprietors concerned, who had been subjected to some inconvenience and had made no claim for compensation. Verbal arrangements had been made with the proprietor on the west side of the road for removing the retaining wall at his property and building a new wall, which would have its face flush with

the back of the old wall, and would be surmounted with iron railings. This would enable the space previously occupied by the old wall to be added to the road. To keep matters in order a sketch showing the site and nature of the proposed new retaining wall and railing was being prepared, and would be submitted to the proprietor before the work was commenced.

The committee approved.

Negotiations were going on with the Coltness Company as regards the alteration to be made upon the footpath opposite the Company's cottages, the Company not having been completely satisfied with the plans submitted.

The committee agreed to visit this property also.

INSPECTION OF TRAMWAYS.

Intimation had been made to the Board of Trade that the tramway from New Stevenston to Bellshill Cross would be ready for inspection by the Board's Inspector by 24th ultimo, and the Clerk had endeavoured to arrange that the inspection should take place on 25th ultimo. Major Pringle, R.E., who had been appointed by the Board of Trade to inspect the lines, was, unfortunately, unable to make his inspection on 25th ultimo. He, however, had come to Scotland on 24th ultimo, and had gone over the lines along with Mr. Möller, the chairman, and several members of the Tramways Committee, when, subject to one or two slight reservations as to speed of cars at particular points, provision of guard wires, &c., he had expressed himself as satisfied with the lines.

It was reported that the lines had been opened for traffic immediately after Major Pringle's inspection, and that they were being well patronised.

A letter from the Board of Trade, of date 30th September, was submitted, transmitting a copy of the report by Major Pringle, together with a certificate that the tramways were fit for public traffic, and an Order sanctioning the use of electrical power on the lines (Appendix).

FARES AND FARE STAGES.

A tentative arrangement of fares and fare stages had been prepared by Mr. Möller, and was at present in use. Mr. Möller, however, stated that his Directors would be willing to consider any suggestions made by the committee for alterations of these. A copy of the fares table was submitted.

There was submitted a letter from Mr. James M'Burnie, Solicitor, Bellshill, enclosing a petition by over 500 persons as regards the fares and stages.

The halfpenny stages suggested in the petition are:—

Bellshill Cross to Mossend Cross.
Mossend Cross to Clydesdale Work Gates.
Clydesdale Gate to New Stevenston.
Mossend Cross to Smelter's House, Holytown Road.
Bellshill Cross to Bothwell Park Cottage.

It was agreed that Mr. Möller should report to the committee the result of another fortnight's working of the cars, with a view to the position of the stages being then reconsidered.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. MacBurnie, acknowledging his letter and explaining the position of matters.

APPENDIX.

Board of Trade
(Railway Department),
7 Whitehall Gardens,
London, S.W., 30th September, 1913.

Sir,

LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS ACT, 1912.

I am directed by the Board of Trade to transmit herewith a copy of the Report of Major J. W. Pringle, R.E., on his inspection of part of the tramways authorised by the Act above-named, together with a certificate that the tramways in question are fit for public traffic.

An Order, sanctioning the use of electrical power on the lines, is also enclosed.

The certificate and consent are issued subject to compliance with the requirements and recommendations contained in the report and the completion of the guard wiring. The requirements of paragraph 2 of the report should be duly notified to this Department.

I am to add that the Board will make regulations for the purpose of giving effect to the Inspecting Officer's recommendations as to speed and stopping of carriages, and pending the issue of such regulations the recommendations should be strictly observed.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

ERNEST G. MOGGRIDGE

The County Clerk of Lanark,
Hamilton.

The Board of Trade hereby certify that the under-mentioned tramway authorised by the Lanark County Tramways Act, 1912, have been inspected by Major J. W. Pringle, R.E., the officer appointed for that purpose by the Board of Trade, and that the said Tramways are fit for public traffic (that is to say)—

Tramway No. 1 (part of)—Consisting of single line, 5 furlongs 0·8 chains or thereabouts, in length, and double line, 1 furlong 2·7 chains or thereabouts in length, commencing in Main Street (Mossend), at its junction with Hamilton Road, passing along and terminating in the said street at the authorised point of commencement of Tramway No. 3, hereinafter referred to.

Tramway No. 3.—Consisting of single line, 6 furlongs 8·3 chains or thereabouts, in length, and double line, 4 furlongs 4 chains or thereabouts in length, commencing by a junction with Tramway No. 1 in Main Street (Mossend), at a point fourteen yards west of the junction of Main Street and Calder Road, passing along the said Calder Road to a point ninety yards south of the bridge carrying the Edinburgh and Glasgow line of the Caledonian Railway over the said Calder Road, and thence in an easterly direction along the road leading from Mossend to New Stevenston, by Milnwood, and terminating at New Stevenston by a junction with the existing tramways in the road leading from New Stevenston to Cleekhimin, thirteen yards south of the junction of the two last-mentioned roads.

Signed, by Order of the Board of Trade, this 30th day of September, 1913.

(Signed) ERNEST G. MOGGRIDGE,
Assistant Secretary.

The Board of Trade, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the Lanark County Tramways Act, 1912, hereby consent to, and approve of, the use of electrical power, on the overhead trolley system, on Tramways Nos. 1 (part of) and 3, authorised by the said Act, and described in their certificate of fitness for public traffic, bearing even date.

Signed, by Order of the Board of Trade, this 30th day of September, 1913.

(Signed) ERNEST G. MOGGRIDGE,

Railway Department,
Board of Trade,
8 Richmond Terrace,
Whitehall,
London, S.W., 24th September, 1913.

Sir,

I have the honour to report, for the information of the Board of Trade, that, in compliance with the instructions contained in your minute of the 16th September, I made an inspection to-day of the undermentioned tramway routes, constructed under the Lanark County Tramways Act, 1912.

Tramway No. 1 (part of)—Commencing in Main Street (Mossend), at the junction with Hamilton Road, and terminating in Main Street, at the authorised commencement of Tramway No. 3. The length of route is 6 furlongs 3·5 chains, of which 1 furlong 2·7 chains has double, and the remainder single, track. There are no sharp curves, and the gradients are easy.

Tramway No. 3—Commencing and terminating as described, traversing Calder Road and Clydesdale Road. The length of route is 1 mile 3 furlongs 2·3 chains, of which 4 furlongs 4·0 chains has double, and the remainder single, track. There are three sharp curves on its length, with radii from 40 to 50 feet in length. The steepest gradient shown on the deposited plans is 1 in 17.

These tramways are laid to a gauge of 4 feet 7 inches, and are equipped for electric traction on the overhead trolley system. The details of electrical equipment are, I understand, similar in all respects with those which the Board have approved in the past, and the permanent way is in accordance with the plans which have been submitted and agreed to, and is in good order.

No representative of the General Post Office was present at my inspection. I noted that some guard wiring in Main Street remains to be done, and I was informed that it would be put in hand immediately.

2. I pointed out, also, the following works—

(*a*) Drain boxes are necessary at several places along the route.

(*b*) The positive conductor on the east side, at the railway bridge over the road on Tramway No. 1, should be moved out about 6 inches further from the track, so as to be out of reach of passengers on the top deck.

The breast-work and footway to the road at this bridge are in an incomplete condition.

3. All cars must be brought to a standstill at the following places:—

(1) In each direction before entering upon the curves between—

(*a*) Cleekhimin Highway and Clydesdale Road.

(*b*) Clydesdale Road and Calder Road.

(*c*) Calder Road and Main Street (Mossend).

(2) In each direction, approaching the Caledonian Railway Bridge over Calder Road.

4. The following speed limits should not be exceeded:—

(1) Four miles an hour through all facing-points, and on the curves between (*a*), (*b*), and (*c*), above mentioned.

(2) Eight miles an hour—

In Clydesdale Road, on the falling gradient in the vicinity of its junction with Coronation Road.

In Calder Road, on the approaches to the Caledonian Railway Bridge.

On the loop at the west end of the bridge over the Caledonian Railway in Clydesdale Road.

(3) Twelve miles an hour elsewhere.

5. Subject to the early completion of the works noted in paragraph 2, and to the proper maintenance of the named speeds and stops, I recommend the Board to certify those tramways for electric traction on the overhead trolley system.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. W. PRINGLE,
Major.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE

RE

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF GLASGOW CORPORATION TRAMWAYS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 30th July, 1913, being a Conference of Representatives of the County Councils of Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, and Renfrewshire, with reference to proposed extensions of the Glasgow Corporation Tramway System within these Counties. 30th July, 1913.

Present—

Representing the County Council of Dunbartonshire:—

JOHN CHRISTIE.
ALAN BURNS.
R. R. SPEIRS.
WILLIAM CRAIG. *County Clerk.*

Representing the County Council of Lanarkshire:—

Colonel BUCHANAN.
JAMES ANDERSON.
GEORGE FRASER.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
Colonel KING STEWART.
THOMAS MUNRO, *County Clerk.*

Representing the County Council of Renfrewshire:—

WALLACE FAIRWEATHER.
ALLAN KIRKWOOD.
Sir C. BINE RENSHAW, Bart.
JAS. CALDWELL, *County Clerk.*
JAMES A. M'CALLUM, *Clerk to First or Upper District Committee.*

Sir Charles Renshaw was appointed Chairman of the conference, and Mr. Munro, Clerk. *Chairman.*

Mr. Munro explained that this conference had been arranged as the result of a letter which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Coatbridge inquiring if the County Council of Lanarkshire were prepared to consent to an extension of the Glasgow Corporation Tramways from Baillieston to Coatbridge, on the same terms as indicated by them on a previous occasion. The County Council, however, felt that it might be desirable that an opportunity be afforded for reconsidering the terms on which extensions of the Glasgow Corporation Tramways into the County should be agreed to, and, as it was understood that the Corporation of Glasgow were at this time proposing extensions into other counties, it was thought that a conference of the authorities affected would be desirable. *Reason for conference.*

After a general discussion regarding the terms on which tramway extensions had been agreed to in the past and as to terms and conditions for extensions in the future, the Chairman moved that the Counties approach the *Discussion as to conditions to be attached to Tramway Extensions into County areas.*

County Councils to approach Glasgow Corporation.

Corporation jointly and point out that, having had their attention drawn to the possibility of consents being asked for extensions of the tramways into their areas in the near future, the County Councils desired to explain that the laying of the tramways on County roads, and the paving done in connection therewith, had not resulted in the anticipated saving to the Road Authorities on the cost of maintenance of such roads, while the tramway traffic had materially affected the suitability of such roads for ordinary traffic; and that, having regard to these circumstances, the County Councils thought it right to state that they were agreed that, as a condition precedent of consent to any extensions in future, and under full liberty of action by individual counties as regards each application, the following general conditions ought to be observed:—

(1) Before any extension be consented to, an arrangement be made between the Corporation and the individual County concerned that any road widenings necessary for the safe and convenient conduct of the traffic of the day would be carried out by the Corporation, and the cost thereof borne by them.

(2) In view of the concentration of ordinary traffic on the macadamised sides of the roads leading to rapid deterioration of the macadamised surface, the Road Authority should be put in the position of being secured against any extra expense in the maintenance of the roads attributable to the super-imposition of the tramways, and the Corporation ought to satisfy the County Council that the roads would be made and kept wide enough for the traffic of the day; that there would be a real relief from the cost of maintenance falling on the Road Authority, in consequence of the tramways of the Corporation and relative widenings and other alterations, and that any apparent relief would not be rendered illusory in consequence of extra expense for road maintenance devolving upon the Road Authority.

(3) That the Corporation should bear, and so free and relieve County and Local Authorities of any extra expenditure rendered necessary or expedient consequent upon the introduction of tramways.

The meeting approved generally of the Chairman's proposal, and agreed that Mr. Caldwell, who had already received a communication anent proposed extensions in Renfrewshire from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, should reply, stating that the County Councils of Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, and Renfrewshire had been considering the question of possible extensions of the tramways into County areas, and that, as the feeling is that the terms on which extensions were formerly agreed to require reconsideration, representatives of the County Councils affected would be glad to meet with representatives of the Corporation to discuss matters. It was further agreed that, should a meeting with the Corporation be arranged, each County Council should be represented by two or three members.

Vote of thanks to Chairman.

A vote of thanks having been awarded to the Chairman for presiding the conference terminated.

MINUTES OF JOINT-MEETING

REGARDING

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF GLASGOW CORPORATION TRAMWAYS.

2nd October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Thursday, 2nd October, 1913, being a Meeting of the Representatives of the County Councils of Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, and Renfrewshire, appointed to meet with the Corporation of Glasgow with reference to Proposed Extensions of the Glasgow Corporation Tramway System within these Counties.

Present—

Representing the County Council of Dunbartonshire—

F. C. Buchanan. | R. E. Findlay.
Alan Burns. | R. R. Speirs.
John Christie.

William Craig, County Clerk.

Representing the County Council of Lanarkshire—

Colonel Buchanan. | George Fraser.

Thomas Munro, County Clerk.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.
James A. McCallum, Clerk to Lower Ward District Committee.

Representing the County Council of Renfrewshire—

Wallace Fairweather. | Sir C. Bine Renshaw, Bart.

Jas. Caldwell, County Clerk.
James A. MacCallum, Clerk to First or Upper District Committee.
Robert Drummond, Road Surveyor.

Chairman.

Sir Charles Bine Renshaw was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Minutes of conference.

The minutes of the conference, of date 30th July, which had been printed and copies issued to the various County representatives prior to this meeting, were submitted and approved.

Meeting with Corporation arranged.

The chairman reported that, since the date of the previous conference, Mr. Caldwell had been in communication with the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, and that arrangements had now been made for a conference taking place between a sub-committee of the Tramways Committee of Glasgow Corporation and the representatives of the County Councils of Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, and Renfrewshire, to-day, at 2.30 o'clock p.m. Sir Charles also stated that he understood that each of the three Counties had now received intimation from the Corporation of Glasgow that extensions of the Corporation's tramway system into their respective areas were contemplated.

The meeting discussed the procedure to be followed at the conference with representatives of the Glasgow Corporation to-day, when it was agreed that Sir Charles Bine Renshaw should state the case for the Counties, and that his remarks should be supplemented by the representatives of each County. It was agreed that Sir Charles should, in his statement, deal only with the question as affecting the three Counties generally, and should not enter upon the merits of any particular scheme of extension.

Conference with representatives of Corporation.

The members then adjourned and proceeded to the City Chambers, where they were received by a sub-committee of the Glasgow Corporation Tramways Committee, consisting of Bailies Kirkland (chairman), Pratt, and Alston, and Councillors Alexander, Battersby, Montgomery, and Wheatley, who were accompanied by the Town-Clerk and Mr. MacKinnon, Traffic Superintendent.

Sir Charles Bine Renshaw having put before the Corporation sub-committee the views of the County representatives, and his remarks having been supplemented by Mr. R. E. Findlay as representing the County of Dunbarton, and Colonel Buchanan as representing the County of Lanark, several questions were asked by members of the Corporation sub-committee, and answered by the County representatives.

The chairman of the Corporation sub-committee having thanked Sir Charles Bine Renshaw and the County representatives for meeting with them, and having promised that the views put forward on behalf of the Counties would have his committee's careful consideration, the conference terminated.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 21st May, 1913, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the County of Lanark. 21st May, 1913.

Present—

William Barr.	William Neilson.
James Cameron.	James C. Pollok.
Alexander Hamilton.	James Prentice.
John M. Loudon.	William Sym.
William Love.	William Templeton.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th March, and of a special meeting of the committee, of date 2nd April, were approved of, and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There were submitted to the meeting the following Orders by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, viz. :— *Orders by Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.*

(1) Importation (Raw Tongues) Order of 1913, and
(2) Importation (Sheep from Scotland) Order of 1913 (No. 2);

and the Clerk briefly explained the purport of same.

With reference to the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, the Clerk reported the interview which representatives of this County and other Local Authorities had had with the President of the Board of Agriculture in London on 5th current, and he submitted the minutes of the meetings (Appendix I.) of representatives of the various Authorities held in London prior and subsequent to the interview with Mr. Runciman. The Clerk also submitted a print of a minute (Appendix II.) of the proceedings in London which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow. *Tuberculosis Order, 1913.—Result of deputation to Board of Agriculture.*

With regard to the operation of the Order within the County, the Clerk submitted a statement showing approximately the expense incurred in connection with its administration to date and the net cost of compensation, which clearly bears out the view expressed by the Local Authority that the expense of administering the Order would exceed the cost of compensation. *Operation of Order.*

The Clerk further stated that, while no practical difficulty had been experienced in carrying out the provisions of the Order, certain modifications, especially in the matter of procedure, had suggested themselves, and the meeting agreed that there be prepared and sent to the Board a statement showing the result of the operation of the Order within the County during the current month, with the suggestions for the amendment of the Order on certain points. *Points of difficulty under the Order.—Board of Agriculture to be approached.*

Remit.

The meeting remitted to the Chairman and the Clerk, along with the County Veterinary Inspector, to meet with the Board of Agriculture, if necessary, with the object of affording the Board full information in the matter.

Additional veterinary and clerical assistance.

The Clerk stated that, to enable the additional veterinary work involved under the Order to be overtaken, the services of Mr. James F. Taylor, V.S., had been temporarily engaged, on the same terms as applied to his appointment in connection with the inspection of dairy herds under the Public Health Acts. He also stated that, as the clerical work which the administration of the Order would entail was considerable, it would be necessary to employ additional clerical assistance.

Agreed.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to appoint Mr. James F. Taylor to be a Veterinary Inspector of the County under the Diseases of Animals Acts, as Assistant to Mr. Begg, at a salary of £4 per week, with travelling expenses, on the understanding that the appointment was not to be considered of a permanent nature. The meeting also authorised the Clerk to procure such additional clerical assistance as might be found necessary.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order 1907.—Notifications.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, 49 cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907, and that one of these had been certified to be anthrax, the particulars of that case being as follows :—

Anthrax.

Biggar Slaughter-house.—James Semple, Broughton, Pebblesshire, sold, at Biggar Auction Mart, on Monday, 5th May, three bullocks, one of which was bought by Mr. Abernethy, butcher, Biggar, and moved to Biggar Slaughter-house. The bullock died, and the Superintendent of the Slaughter-house bled it and proceeded to dress the carcase, when suspicions were aroused as to the existence of anthrax, and the case was reported. The County Veterinary Inspector, having examined the carcase, certified it as being a case of anthrax. On inquiry, it was ascertained that the Superintendent of the Slaughter-house, when he had finished with the diseased carcase, had proceeded to dress the carcase of another animal at the Slaughter-house, which belonged to Mr. Graham, butcher, Biggar, and, in the circumstances, it was thought desirable to seize this carcase and have it destroyed.

The meeting approved of the action taken.

A claim was submitted by Mr. Graham for the price of the carcase belonging to him, viz., £22 3s. 4d., which the committee authorised the Clerk to pay.

The two other animals which were exposed at the Auction Mart by Mr. James Semple were sold to George Pollock, butcher, Motherwell, and Robert Colthart, merchant Abington, and were both slaughtered and sold for human consumption before steps could be taken to have them examined.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Town Council of Biggar, directing their attention to the circumstances of the case.

Diagnosis of Veterinary Inspector confirmed.

The Clerk further stated that in the above case the diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries that the carcase had been destroyed; and that the usual precautionary measures had been taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Parasitic mange.

There were submitted reports by the Veterinary Inspector of two cases of parasitic mange, viz. :—

(1) *Sunnyside Farm, Gartsherrie Road, Coatbridge* (Townhead Coal Company) the animal affected being a brown cart gelding; and

(2) *Clydesdale Hotel Posting Establishment* (Mr. William H. Cox), the animal affected being a aged grey harness mare.

The Veterinary Inspector stated that the usual precautions had been taken for preventing the spread of the disease, and that the restrictions had since been withdrawn in both cases.

Glanders.—Suspected case.

The Clerk stated that a suspected case of glanders had been reported at Gateside Colliery, Cambuslang (James M'Combe), but that the result of the County Veterinary Inspector's examination was negative.

Swine fever.—Premises declared infected places.

The Clerk stated that the following premises had, since the date of last meeting, been defined as swine fever infected places under the Swine Fever Order, viz. :—

Neuk Farm, Stonehouse (Mungo Shearer);
Braehead, Carnwath (William Spence, Sen.);
Wattstown, Greengairs (Robert Brodie);
Porterhall, Coalburn, Lesmahagow (James Simpson);
Brownhill Farm, Carnwath (James Hodge);
Woodhall Farm, Chapelhall (Alexander Brownlie);
Clarkston Farm, Kirkfieldbank (Alexander Stobo);
North Mains Farm, Gartcosh (Robert Robertson);
Mosside Farm, Glenmavis (Adam Smith);

and that the Board had since withdrawn the restrictions in the first six cases above named; also in the following case previously reported, viz. :—

Low Longrigg Farm, Stonehouse (Thomas Watson).

Sheep scab.

The Clerk reported that, on 14th March last, an outbreak of sheep scab had been reported at Greenrig Farm, Kirkfieldbank, Lanark (William and John Findlay), but that the restrictions had since been withdrawn.

Bee Diseases Bill.—Communication from D. Newbigging, Abington.

There was laid before the meeting copy of a letter, addressed by Dr. Newbigging, Abington, to the Secretary for Scotland, on the subject of bee diseases, representing the urgency of having the Bee Diseases Bill pushed forward before the beginning of the bee season.

The meeting meantime continued consideration of the matter, and instructed the Clerk to procure and send to each member of the committee a copy of the Bee Diseases Bill, as well as of Dr. Newbiggings letter.

Examinership of Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.—Letter from County Veterinary Inspector.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Veterinary Inspector, stating that he had been nominated for the Examinership on Materia Medica, Practical Pharmacy, &c., and requesting the committee's sanction to act at the examinations, which would be held in July and at Christmas.

Agreed.

The meeting acceded to the request, and remitted to Mr. Begg to make the necessary arrangements for the carrying on of the work during his absence.

Epizootic Abortion in Cattle.—Letter from County Veterinary Inspector.

There was read to the meeting a letter from the County Veterinary Inspector, on the subject of Epizootic Abortion, in which he stated that the prevalence of this disease in the County during the past season was much the same as in the season 1911-1912.

Contraventions.—Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting police informations against the following persons, in respect of alleged offences against the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, viz. :—

(1) *Thomas Hamilton, Struther Farm, Birkenshaw, Dalserf*—
In respect that he failed to notify to the Local Authority the illness of a cow which he killed and removed to Omoa Knackery.

(2) *John Morton, Arpochhill Farm, East Kilbride*—
In respect that he failed to report the death of a cow.

After consideration of the circumstances, the meeting decided that no action be taken in either of the cases.

Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order, 1911.

There were submitted to the meeting police informations against two persons, in respect of alleged offences against the Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order of 1911, but the meeting did not consider that the circumstances were such as to justify proceedings in either case.

Poaching Prevention Act, 1862.

The Clerk also laid before the meeting police information against Richard Lloyd and others for an alleged offence against the Poaching Prevention Act, 1862, in respect that they had in their possession a hare, and had come from land where they had been unlawfully in pursuit of game.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to send the information to the Fiscal, with a view to proceedings being instituted should the latter consider the evidence sufficient to warrant a prosecution.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTE OF MEETING

OF

REPRESENTATIVES OF COUNTY LOCAL AUTHORITIES *RE* TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1913.

5th May, 1913.

At LONDON, and within the Hotel Windsor, there, upon Monday, 5th May, 1913, being a Preliminary Meeting of Representatives of Local Authorities in Scotland co-operating with the County Council of Lanark in a Deputation to the President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, on the subject of the Tuberculosis Order, 1913.

Present—

As representing the Local Authorities of—

(1) *Ayrshire*—Quintin Dunlop, Morriston, James E. Shaw, County Clerk; (2) *Dumfriesshire*—J. Bryce Duncan, of Newlands, H. Cavan Irving, of Burnfoot; (3) *Lanarkshire*—Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., Elm Lodge, Hamilton, W. M. R Pringle, M.P. for N.W. Lanarkshire, Colonel King Stewart, of Murdostoun, William Templeton, of Torland, Thomas Munro, County Clerk; (4) *Midlothian*—John Clark. Balleny, Balerno, J. M'Hutchen Dobbie, Campend, Dalkeith, Major J. A. Hope, M P.; (5) *Peeblesshire*—M. G. Thorburn, of Glenormiston; (6) *Wigtownshire*—Viscount Dalrymple, M.P.

Chairman.

Colonel King Stewart, of Murdostoun, was called to the Chair.

Clerk to Meeting.

Mr. Munro (Lanarkshire) acted as Clerk to the meeting.

Interview with President of Board of Agriculture—Final arrangements.

The Clerk intimated that he had been definitely informed that the President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries would receive a Deputation on behalf of the Local Authorities represented at the meeting in the House of Commons that day at four o'clock in the afternoon, and that the Board had decided to hear the Deputation, along with one from the Corporation of Glasgow and the Local Authorities co-operating with them. He also stated that on the assumption that in view of certain divergencies of opinion the representatives present might prefer to be heard separately, he was in communication with the Board as to the possibility of making an arrangement for this.

Points of difficulty under the Order.

The Clerk briefly informed the meeting of the several points of difficulty which the Order gave rise to, and dealt especially with the question of compensation and the operation of Article 11 of the Order, and the relations of Ireland to the Order.

Attitude of Local Authorities on subject of Compensation.

He explained that there was apparently an impression amongst some of the Local Authorities acting in co-operation with the Corporation of Glasgow that unless the Government were prepared to pay the whole of the compensation which would fall to be met as a result of the operation of the Order, instead of one half thereof as proposed, the Order should be strongly objected to. In regard to this matter. the Clerk further stated that several of the Local Authorities in Scotland, while quite prepared to urge reasons in favour of the Government being made responsible for the whole of the compensation due, had thought the Order so important, and with a view to preventing delay, that rather than put forward this condition as a *sine qua non*, of its being enforced, they had decided to publish the Order and put it into operation.

Objection to Article 11

The meeting expressed dissatisfaction with Article 11 of the Order, dealing with suspected animals in markets, and at this stage, the Clerk explained that the article in question was the chief point of difference between those Local Authorities co-operating with Glasgow and those supporting Lanarkshire.

Proposed representation to Board.

After discussion, the meeting decided that strong representation should be made to the Board of Agriculture in order to secure:—

(1) That full compensation, as well as cost of administration, should be paid out of Imperial Funds, so as to remove all objections to Article 11 of the Order, and to do away with the vexed question of imported Irish cattle.

(2) That failing this concession,—

(*a*) Some means should be taken so as to avoid the Local Authorities in this country being held responsible for the cost of compensation in respect of tuberculous animals landed from Ireland, and that accordingly a similar Order should be made applicable to Ireland; and

(*b*) Article 11 should be amended, so as to make its operation more equitable as between Local Authorities,

Corporation of Glasgow.—Request for Joint Conference.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the Corporation of Glasgow, who along with other Local Authorities were holding a Preliminary Meeting in the Westminster Palace Hotel, on the subject of the Order, had intimated a desire that a Joint Conference of their representatives and those represented at this meeting should take place with a view to united action being taken in the representation to the Board of Agriculture.

Meeting agree.

It was explained by the Clerk that so far as he could gather, the only material point of difference between Glasgow's attitude towards the Order and their own was as regards Article 11, and, after consideration, the meeting decided to confer with the Corporation on the subject.

Mr. Munro to state views of meeting at interview with Board.

On the motion of Mr. M'Hutchen Dobbie (Midlothian) which was seconded by Mr. Templeton (Lanarkshire), it was unanimously rgreed that Mr. Munro should state the views of the meeting at the interview with the President of the Board of Agriculture to be held in the House of Commons in the afternoon.

Result of Meeting with Glasgow.

At a Conference held subsequently with representatives of Local Authorities convened by the Corporation of Glasgow, it was mutually agreed that the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries should be urged to withdraw Article 11 of the Order. It was further agreed (Mr. Thomson, Town Clerk, Ayr, dissenting) that in the event of the Board of Agriculture not acquiescing in the proposal the article in question should be modified so as to make it clear that compensation for any animal detected at a market as suffering from either of the forms of tuberculosis dealt with by the Order should be met by the Local Authority in whose district the market is situated.

On this understanding the representatives of the Local Authorities convened by Lanarkshire agreed to take part in the Deputation to the President of the Board of Agriculture.

APPENDIX II.

At London, and within the Westminster Palace Hotel, there, *on the 5th May*, 1913.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee appointed at the Conference of Local Authorities in Scotland under the Diseases of Animals Acts, held in the City Chambers, Glasgow, on 31st March, 1913, on the subject of the Tuberculosis Order, 1913.

Present—Councillor Watson, Glasgow (Chair); County Councillors Buchanan and Russell, Dunbartonshire; Lees, Fifeshire; Henderson, Perthshire; Edmond, Stirlingshire; and Harvey, Aberdeenshire; Councillor Sinclair, Aberdeen; Mr. P. A. Thomson, Town-Clerk, Ayr; Bailie Richardson, Edinburgh; Councillor Turner, Glasgow; and Bailie Calderwood, Perth.

Present also—Mr. John Lindsay, Town-Clerk, Glasgow; Sir Thomas Hunter, Town Clerk, Edinburgh; and Mr. William Craig, County Clerk, Dunbarton.

Letter from Secretary of Board of Agriculture submitted.

The chairman explained that a letter had been received by the Town-Clerk of Glasgow from the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture stating that the President of the Board would be prepared to receive the Executive Committee to-day at 4 o'clock in the House of Commons.

Conference with representatives of certain County Councils.

The chairman having reported that a committee representing the County Councils who are not acting along with the Executive Committee are at present meeting in the Windsor Hotel, and that they are also to be received by the President of the Board to-day, it was agreed that these representatives be asked to confer with the Executive Committee with a view, if possible, to both parties going as a joint-deputation to the President of the Board.

Thereafter, the Executive Committee met and conferred with the following representatives, viz:—County Councillors Colonel King Stewart, and Templeman, Hugh Begg, Veterinary Surgeon, and Thomas Munro, County Clerk, Lanarkshire; Mr. W. M. R. Pringle, M.P., Lanarkshire; County Councillor Dunlop, and James E. Shaw, County Clerk, Ayrshire; County Councillors J. Bryce Duncan, and Irving, Dumfriesshire; County Councillors J. M'Hutchen Dobbie, and John Clark, Midlothian; Major Hope, M.P., County Councillor M. J. Thorburn, Peeblesshire; and Lord Dalrymple, M.P., Wigtownshire.

Agreement to go jointly before President of the Board of Agriculture.

After discussion, from which it appeared that the only point of difference between the two bodies was in regard to Article 11 of the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, it was agreed that the two bodies should ask that the said Article be deleted from the Order, and that they should go jointly before the President and urge that the whole of the compensation payable under the Order and also the cost of the administration of the Order be paid out of Imperial funds.

Interview with President of the Board of Agriculture, and reply by him to joint representation.

Thereafter the two committees were received by the President of the Board and submitted their joint views, the speakers being Councillor Watson, County Councillor Henderson, Mr. Thomas Munro, and Mr. John Lindsay. The President in reply stated that while he was of opinion that the Order would be more efficiently carried out if the compensation were paid wholly out of imperial funds, he regretted that he had been unable to obtain the sanction of the Treasury to this, and that while he could not see his way to delete Article 11, he was prepared to reconsider the terms of that article with the view of its more equitable working. He also promised to consider the question of the cost of the administration of the Order in special districts. He also stated that a similar Order was to be issued for Ireland.

Certain points to be reconsidered.

Further joint-meeting.

After the said interview, the Committees again met jointly in the Westminster Palace Hotel and agreed (1) to ask for a copy of the official report of the interview with the President of the Board and a draft of any alterations proposed on Article 11, (2) that a representation be made to the Treasury asking that the payment of the whole compensation and of the cost of administration of the Order be made out of Imperial funds, (3) that a copy of the representation be sent to all the Scottish members of Parliament, (4) that those Local Authorities who have

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not yet published the Order be asked to delay publishing the same until it is seen what amendments are proposed by the Board on Article 11 and what reply is received from the Treasury to the representation, (5) that it be remitted to a Sub-Committee consisting of two members from the City of Glasgow, one from each of the cities of Edinburgh, Aberdeen, and Dundee, and the Burgh of Ayr, one from each of the counties of Aberdeen, Ayr, Lanark, Midlothian and Perth (Councillor Watson of Glasgow being chairman), to draw up the representation to be made to the Treasury, and to take such other steps in support of these representations as they may deem expedient, including power to call another conference of the Local Authorities.

Sub-committee appointed to make representations to the Treasury.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

25th June, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 25th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Present—

J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
James Cameron.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Alexander Hamilton.
William Love.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
William Neilson.
James C. Pollok.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Hugh Begg F.R.C.V.S., Veterinary Inspector.
Captain Despard, Chief Constable of the County.

Chairman.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 21st May, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Order by Board of Agriculture.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the Animals (Landing from Ireland) Order of 1913, No. 2, and briefly explained its purport.

Tuberculosis Order, 1913.—Memorandum re operation of Order during month of May.—Further meeting with Board of Agriculture.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a Memorandum (Appendix I.) on the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, showing the result of the operation of the Order during the month of May. He stated that, as instructed, he had sent prints of the Memorandum to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, who had agreed to receive the Chairman of this Committee, the County Veterinary Inspector, and himself, on Friday, 27th current, to discuss the various points raised in the Memorandum.

Clerk authorised to pay compensation in respect of slaughtered animals.

There was laid before the meeting a statement of compensation payable to owners of animals slaughtered in terms of the Order, and the meeting authorised the Clerk to pay the same.

The meeting were of opinion that it was desirable that compensation for animals slaughtered should be paid as soon after slaughter as possible, and instructed the Clerk in future cases to pay the amount of compensation certified by the Veterinary Inspector—a statement of the amounts paid being submitted to the committee from time to time.

Communication from Town Clerk of Glasgow transmitting copy of Memorial to Treasury.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Town Clerk of Glasgow, transmitting copy of the Memorial which had been addressed to the Treasury on the subject of compensation.

Case of tuberculosis at Home Farm, Uddingston.

The Clerk informed the meeting of the circumstances relating to a cow on the premises of Mr. Scougall, Home Farm, Uddingston, which, on being examined by the Veterinary Inspector, had been found to be affected with tuberculosis. The facts of the case appear to be that the animal in question had been sold, on 26th April, by Mr. Scougall to Mr. Robb, Peacock Cross, Hamilton, and was moved to the premises of Mr. Robb on or about that date. The animal was in calf and was kept by Mr. Robb until it had calved, and was returned, on 2nd June, to Mr. Scougall's premises at Uddingston. The case was notified to the County Veterinary Inspector by the District Public Health Authorities, to whom intimation had been sent by the Burgh of Hamilton's Veterinary Surgeon. It is alleged that the cow was returned by Mr. Robb in respect that it did not conform to warranty.

Correspondence with Town Clerk of Hamilton.

The Clerk further stated that he had written to the Town Clerk of Hamilton, stating the circumstances of the case and inquiring whether the animal, while on Mr. Robb's premises, had come under the notice of the Burgh Local Authority, and, if so, what action, if any, had been taken by them in regard to it. The reply received from the Town Clerk of Hamilton was as follows:—

"The Town House,
"Hamilton, 20th June, 1913.

"Dear Sir,

"Tuberculosis Order of 1913.

"I have your letter of 16th instant. The facts are that a cow was purchased by Mr. Robb, Burnbank, and it was sold as a sound animal. Mr. Robb had the cow for a few days, and, after calving, the tubercular udder appeared. It could not be detected before calving. As the cow was not conform to the warranty in the sale, Mr. Robb intimated his intention to return it to the seller. The Veterinary Surgeon saw the animal, and he immediately sent intimation to your Authority that the animal was being returned, as the sale had not been completed, so that the animal might be examined and dealt with by your Inspectors, if necessary.

"Yours truly,

(Sgd.) "P. M. KIRKPATRICK."

Town Council of Hamilton to be again communicated with.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Town Council of Hamilton, expressing regret that that Local Authority had not seen fit, in the case referred to, to carry out the provisions of the Tuberculosis Order.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.—Notifications.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, forty-two cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and of these one had been certified to be a case of anthrax, the particulars being as follows:—

Nether Auchtygemmell, Lesmahagow (Andrew Carruthers).

Anthrax.—Case at Nether Auchtygemmell, Lesmahagow.

The animal affected was a four-year-old brown and white Ayrshire cow, which had been on the premises for about a year and a half, and died on 27th ultimo. The feeding consisted of bean meal and Bibby cake. Seventy cattle and fourteen horses remained on the premises.

Restrictions withdrawn.

The Clerk further stated that the diagnosis of the Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed; that the carcase had been destroyed at Omoa Knackery, and that the usual precautionary measures had been taken to prevent the spread of the disease. The restrictions were withdrawn on 7th instant.

Parasitic mange.—Two cases.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the Veterinary Inspector in regard to an outbreak of parasitic mange at Benthead Farm, Carnwath (Messrs. Purdie and Dickie); and also in regard to a horse belonging to Mr. Alexander Forbes, carriage hirer, Longriggend, which had been exposed for sale at Glasgow Mart, and which was suffering from the disease.

Information in case of Forbes to be sent to Fiscal.

The Clerk having explained to the meeting the circumstances in both cases, he was instructed to send the information in the case of Forbes to the Procurator-Fiscal, in respect that accused had (1) failed to notify the Local Authority of the existence of disease; and (2) exposed the affected animal at a public sale.

Swine fever.—Outbreaks.

The Clerk stated that the following premises had, since the date of last meeting, been defined as swine fever infected places under the Swine Fever Order, viz.:—

(1) South Cardowan, Stepps (Robert Alexander).
(2) Moss-side Farm, Glenmavis, New Monkland (Adam Smith).
(3) Kirkwood Farm, Strathaven (Wm. Wright).
(4) Woodhall, Bothwell (Alexander Brownlie).
(5) The Cottage, West Maryston, Baillieston (James Johnston).

Withdrawal of restrictions.

and that the Board had since withdrawn the restrictions in each of the cases above named, with the exception of No. 2; and also in the following cases previously reported, viz.:—

Clarkston Farm, Kirkfieldbank (Alexander Stobo).
North Mains Farm, Gartcosh (Robert Anderson).
Moss-side Farm, Clenmavis (Adam Smith).

Sheep scab.—Outbreaks.

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, outbreaks of sheep scab had occurred on the following premises, viz.:—

(1) Dunsyre Mains, Dunsyre (John Jack); and
(2) Eastshields, Carnwath (William Halliday);

the latter outbreak being amongst a lot of nine sheep which Mr. Halliday had bought from Mr. Jack, who had purchased a lot of 127 sheep from Mr. Robert Craig, Westside, Nemphlar, Lanark, on 12th November last.

Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk further stated that, since that date, Mr. Jack had sold, on 15th April, twelve ewes and twelve lambs to James M'Lean, South Medrox, Glenboig; also, on same date, twelve ewes and twelve lambs to James Prentice, The Grange, Pettinain; on 22nd April, five ewes and ten lambs to John Hamilton, Braehead, Carnwath; also, on 22nd April, one ewe and one lamb to William Begg, Braehead, Carnwath, and that, as a precautionary measure, notice (Form C) imposing restrictions had been served in each of these cases.

Requests to dispose of lambs.

As relative thereto, there were submitted requests by Messrs. Begg and M'Lean for permission to dispose of lambs or to take on to the premises other sheep. The County Veterinary Inspector reported that he had examined all the sheep on the premises of (1) M'Lean, (2) Prentice, (3) Hamilton, and (4) Begg, and that he had failed to find any evidence of disease.

Restrictions to be withdrawn subject to result of further examination of sheep by Veterinary Inspector.

The Clerk having informed the meeting of the correspondence he had had with Mr. Stewart, Inspector of the Board of Agriculture, in regard to this outbreak, the meeting, after careful consideration, authorised the Clerk to withdraw the restrictions on the premises of M'Lean, Prentice, Hamilton, and Begg, provided that, on a further inspection, the Veterinary Inspector certified the sheep to be free from diesase.

Authority was also granted to the Clerk to remove the restrictions in the cases of John Jack and William Halliday so soon as the Veterinary Inspector reported that this could be done with safety, and on the further condition that the sheep in question were again dipped in terms of the Sheep Scab Order. *Further withdrawals.*

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Royal Sanitary Institute, inviting the appointment of representatives to attend the Congress of the Institute, to be held at Exeter, from 7th to 12th July next. The meeting, after consideration, appointed the following representatives to attend the Congress, viz.:—the Chairman and James C. Pollok, along with the Clerk. *Royal Sanitary Institute Congress.—Appointment of delegates to attend.*

The meeting agreed that the Veterinary Inspector should attend the meetings of the National Veterinary Medical Association, to be held in London at the end of July. *Authority granted to Veterinary Inspector to attend meetings of National Veterinary Medical Association in London.*

The meeting authorised the expenditure of £15 in the purchase of a microscope for the use of Mr. Taylor, Assistant Veterinary Inspector; and also the payment of £5 to Mr. Begg, being the price paid by him for a one-twelfth oil immersion lens. *Purchase of Microscope.*

The meeting, having considered the question of the allowance to Mr. Taylor, for the use of his motor cycle, agreed that this should be fixed at the rate of 2d. per mile, and that the arrangement should continue for one year, when the matter could, if necessary, be reconsidered. *Mr. Taylor, V.S.—Motor cycle allowance fixed tentatively.*

Under reference to the minutes of the last meeting of the committee, the Clerk submitted (1) the Bee Disease Bill, and (2) copy of Dr. Newbigging's letter, submitted to last meeting, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee. The meeting expressed general approval of the provisions of the Bill, and instructed the Clerk to communicate the views of the committee on the subject to the Members of Parliament for the County. *Bee Disease Bill.—Steps to be taken.*

There was also laid before the meeting a communication, of date 2nd instant, from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, transmitting copies of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913, together with a handbill directing the attention of growers to the provisions of the Order, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913.*

The meeting agreed that the attention of potato growers should be directed to the provisions of the Order, and instructed the Clerk to obtain a supply of copies of the handbill and to have them distributed throughout the County. *Potato growers to be directed to provisions of Order.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting police informations against Alexander Stobo, Clarkston Farm, Lesmahagow, in respect of an alleged contravention against the Swine Fever Order of 1908, and John Brown, 84, Main Street, Wishaw, in respect of an offence committed by him against the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907. *Alleged Contraventions of Orders.*

The meeting, in view of the circumstances as explained by the Clerk, agreed that no proceedings be instituted. *No action to be taken.*

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1913.

MEMORANDUM PREPARED ON BEHALF OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK ON THE OPERATION OF THE ORDER IN THE COUNTY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, 1913.

There are appended for the information of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries the following statements, viz.:—

No. I. Showing the number of cases reported to the Local Authority, and how these cases were disposed of;

No. II. Showing the number of animals slaughtered under the Order, the result of *post-mortem* examination, amount of compensation, and cost of administration, &c.;

No. III. Showing the expenses incurred in connection with cases reported which proved negative; and

No. IV. Being a summary of expenses incurred, showing net cost to the Local Authority after deduction of amount recoverable from Treasury.

Financial Aspects.

The financial result of the operation of the Order during the first month of its operation is shown in Statement No. 4, but it may be briefly stated as follows:—

The total expense involved in connection with the administration of the Order is, ...	£79	7	5
This sum includes £19 16s. 3d., being net cost of compensation, one-half of which is recoverable from the Treasury, ...	9	18	1
Leaving a net cost to the Local Authority of	£69	9	4

If the first month's experience be taken as a criterion of a whole year's working, the annual cost of operating the Order would amount to £952, of which sum there would be recovered from the Treasury £119, leaving a net total expenditure to be borne by the Local Authority of £833.

The 29 cases notified during the month concerned 32 animals. One case was under investigation at the end of the month. Of the 31 animals dealt with, 16 proved to be negative and the remaining 15 positive cases. Included in the 16 negative cases there were 5 animals which either died during the period of investigation or were slaughtered by the owner.

Of the 29 cases notified, 21 were intimated by veterinary surgeons.

The total amount of compensation payable to the owners was £65 1s. 8d., and the amount which the Local Authority were able to recover for the sale of flesh and hides was £45 5s. 5d., which made the net cost of compensation only £19 16s. 3d. In one case (No. 20 *b*) the amount recovered exceeded by £1 6s. 8d. the value of the animal as a diseased animal. In every case the value of the animal was fixed by mutual agreement.

In considering the question as to whether the experience of the County of Lanark may be taken as indicative of its operation generally throughout Scotland so far as county districts are concerned, it is proper that regard should be had to the following facts, viz.:—

(1) The bovine population of the County may be stated at 75,000, half of that number being dairy stock;

(2) For several years the dairy herds have been inspected at least once a year, under the Public Health Acts and the Dairies, Cow-sheds, and Milk-shops Order;

(3) Two whole-time veterinary inspectors are employed by the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts, the Chief Veterinary Inspector having a motor car and his assistant a motor cycle, a mileage allowance being made to each in lieu of travelling expenses; and

(4) The County Council have a fully equipped laboratory and an experienced bacteriologist, and the charge made for the examination of specimens is merely a nominal one.

It will be observed from the financial statement submitted that the whole of the salary of the additional inspector and a clerk,—who has had to be appointed for special work entailed by the Order,—are charged against the Order, but that no portion of the salary of the chief inspector is set against it. Further, no charge is made in respect of the additional labour cast upon the general administrative staff.

It is probable that in County districts, where whole-time veterinary inspectors are not employed, and where fees are paid in respect of each visit, the expenditure will be much greater than in this County, that is in proportion to the number of animals dealt with; and further, it is possible that in many county areas it will be difficult to dispose of the salvaged flesh to the same advantage as in this County.

It is at least obvious that the view expressed by this Local Authority that the administrative expenses will exceed the cost of compensation is fully borne out by actual experience.

Observations on the practical operation of Order.

While the experience of the first month's operation of the Order confirms the view expressed by this Local Authority as to its practicability, they desire to direct the attention of the Board to certain points which their experience of the Order satisfies them calls for consideration, especially in view of the probability of the Order requiring modification in details.

I. Articles 2 (1) and 3 (1) require the Local Authority to inform the Sanitary Authority of every case notified; Article 4 (5) requires a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's report to be sent to the Sanitary Authority; and Article 5 (1) requires notice of intention to slaughter to be sent to the Board. The Order does not require the result of *post-mortem* examinations to be sent either to the Board or to the Sanitary Authority.

As the Sanitary Authority may have, on receiving a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's report of the existence of disease, taken steps under the Public Health Acts, it would seem desirable that that Authority should at any rate be informed of the result of the *post-mortem* examination in any case where such examination shows that the animal was not suffering from tuberculosis.

It is accordingly suggested that the object of the Order in requiring notice to be given to the Sanitary Authority might best be attained by sending to such Authority a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's report of his *post-mortem* examination in every case. In the opinion of the Local Authority no good purpose is served by notifying the Sanitary Authority of every case reported to them under the Order. Indeed, such notification, while serving no good purpose, merely leads to unnecessary trouble.

II. In two of the cases dealt with during the month the animals died after they had been condemned, and after the valuations had been fixed. In one case death took place while the animal was being conveyed to the slaughter-house, while in the other case death occurred before steps had been taken for the removal of the animal. As in neither case was the animal slaughtered by the Local Authority, the question arises as to whether compensation is due to the owner. As it is expected that such cases will not be uncommon, the question is a not unimportant one.

III. In some cases it is difficult to decide whether the word "premises" should include the whole farm or only part of it.

In practice, while all the bovine animals that may be housed in sheds or byres are examined, inquiry is made as to the health of the animals in the fields, and in the event of any animal being reported in poor condition, it is brought in and examined. This point mainly concerns the accuracy of returns in which the number of animals on the premises and the number examined require to be stated.

IV. With regard to Article 11 of the Order, while this Local Authority have not so far instituted regular inspections of markets, they intend causing such inspections to be made when time and opportunity permits. Although they do not anticipate that such inspections will be a means of many cases of disease being detected, they believe that the knowledge that such inspections are made will act as a deterrent to the exposing of diseased or suspected animals at public sales.

In this connection it is suggested that the act of exposing an animal suffering from tuberculosis in any of the forms specified in the Order should be made an offence against the Order.

V. Certain cases have come under the observation of the Local Authority during the month, and have been dealt with, although it is doubtful whether on a strict interpretation of the terms of Articles 2 (1) and 11 they can be considered as belonging to any of the classes specified in the Order.

No. 22A. is a case in point:—

The subject was an Ayrshire cow-in-milk, and on clinical examination being made it revealed well-marked disease of the lungs. A sample of milk which was taken was certified free of tubercle bacilli, and the tuberculin test gave no help, as the temperature remained stationary. Some of the expectorate of the cow was secured, and was certified to contain tubercle bacilli. When slaughtered, the *post-mortem* examination revealed extensive

lesions in the substance of both lungs. Otherwise the carcase was free of disease.

There is, therefore, good reason for believing that there are many cases where animals which are dangerous,—*i.e.*, from the point of view of disseminating disease,—are not in what could be termed an emaciated condition, and it is suggested that the Order should be amended to include such cases.

VI. In determining the question whether tuberculosis is "advanced" or "not advanced," it is provided under Article 8 (4) that the disease is to be considered as "advanced" *when the carcase is emaciated and tuberculous lesions are present.* It is doubtful whether this refers to the presence of lesions in the carcase itself stripped of its organs, or whether it is intended also to include the condition of the removed organs. If the latter, it follows—

(*a*) when a live animal is condemned as suffering from "tuberculosis with emaciation," the carcase (provided no mistake in the diagnosis of the disease has been made) must be tabulated "tuberculosis with emaciation," and be paid for at the lowest rate of compensation. The Veterinary Inspector having in his preliminary report returned the case under the heading that best applied, viz., "tuberculosis with emaciation," would have but to find the presence of lesions, however infinitesimal, in some part of an organ, to conclude the presence of "advanced tuberculosis."

(*b*) that the salvage from many carcases would exceed the amount of compensation payable; and though the surplus would be payable to the owner, the apparent conflict of opinion between the veterinary inspector and the meat inspector might occasion criticism.

To obviate any doubt on this point, it is suggested that the word "carcase" should be defined as meaning the carcase as it hangs after all the organs have been removed.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

County Offices,
Hamilton, June, 1913.

Statement No. I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1913.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CASES REPORTED TO LOCAL AUTHORITY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, AND HOW DISPOSED OF.

Case Number.	By whom Reported.	Description of Animal.	Died during Investigation.	Killed by Owner while under Investigation.	Negative.	Slaughtered under Order.	Under Investigation.
1	Owner	Cow in milk	...	...	...	X	...
2	Police	Do.	...	...	X	...	...
3	Veterinary Surgeon	Do.	...	X	...	...	...
4	Do.	Do.	...	...	X	...	...
5	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
6	Do.	Other bovine	...	...	...	X	...
7	Do.	Do.	...	...	X	...	...
8	Do.	Do.	...	...	X	...	...
9	Do.	Cow in milk	...	...	X	...	...
10	Do.	Other bovine	X	...	...	...	...
11	Do.	Cow in milk	...	X	...	...	...
12	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
13	Owner	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
14	Do.	Do.	X	...	X	...	...
15	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	...	...
16	Veterinary Surgeon	Do.	...	...	X	...	...
17	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
18 *a*	Do.	Other bovine	...	...	...	X	...
18 *b*	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
19	Do.	Cow in milk	...	...	X	...	...
20 *a*	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
20 *b*	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	..
21	Owner	Do.	...	...	X	...	...
22 *a*	Veterinary Surgeon	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
22 *b*	Do.	Other bovine	...	...	X	...	...
23	Do.	Do.	...	...	X	...	...
24	Owner	Cow in milk	X	...	...	...	...
25	Veterinary Surgeon	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
26	Police	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
27	Veterinary Surgeon	Do.	...	...	...	...	X
28	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	...
29	Do.	Do.	...	...	...	X	...

Statement No. II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1913.

STATEMENT OF THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED UNDER THE ORDER DURING THE MONTH OF MAY; RESULT OF *POST-MORTEM* EXAMINATION; AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION; AND COST OF ADMINISTRATION, &c.

Case No.	Valuation.		Post-Mortem.		Compensation payable to Owner.	Salvage.			Net Cost of Compensation.	Travelling expenses of Inspectors.	Cost of conveyance of animal, killing, and Abattoir dues.	Fee to V.S. for reporting.	Charge for Bacteriologist.	Total.
	Healthy.	Diseased.	Advanced.	Not Advanced.		Flesh.		Hide.	Total.					
						Condemned.	Passed.							
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	14 0 0	8 0 0	...	X	6 0 0	...	3 17 0	0 19 5	4 16 5	1 3 7	1 4 10	0 16 3	...	0 2 6	3 7 2
5	14 0 0	9 0 0	X	...	2 5 0	...	...	1 2 6	1 2 6	1 2 6	0 16 4	0 14 9	0 1 3	0 2 6	2 17 4
6	14 10 0	10 0 0	...	X	7 10 0	...	4 11 6	1 2 8	5 14 2	1 15 10	0 16 3	0 14 9	0 1 3	0 2 6	3 10 7
12	16 0 0	8 0 0	...	X	6 0 0	...	3 14 0	1 2 5	4 16 5	1 3 7	0 15 6	0 13 3	0 2 6	0 2 6	2 17 4
13	16 0 0	8 0 0	...	X	6 0 0	0 2 6	1 12 6	1 0 10	2 15 10	3 4 2	1 10 6	0 15 9	...	0 2 6	5 12 11
17	16 0 0	9 0 0	X	...	2 5 0	0 3 0	...	1 5 9	1 8 9	0 16 3	1 0 6	0 10 3	0 2 6	0 2 6	2 12 0
18 (*a*)	5 0 0	3 0 0	X	...	1 10 0	...	...	0 8 5	0 8 5	1 1 7	1 5 0	0 10 4	...	...	2 16 11
18 (*b*)	12 0 0	7 0 0	X	...	1 15 0	...	...	1 0 9	1 0 9	0 14 3	1 5 0	0 10 4	...	...	2 9 7
20 (*a*)	10 0 0	5 0 0	X	...	1 10 0	0 2 6	...	1 3 6	1 6 0	0 4 0	0 7 2	0 7 9	0 1 3	0 2 6	1 2 8
20 (*b*)	8 0 0	4 0 0	...	X	4 6 8	...	3 7 0	0 19 8	4 6 8	...	0 7 2	0 7 9	0 1 3	0 2 6	0 18 8
22 (*a*)	18 0 0	12 0 0	X	...	9 0 0	...	7 0 0	1 5 9	8 5 9	0 14 3	0 4 0	0 11 3	0 1 3	0 2 6	1 13 3
25	15 0 0	8 0 0	...	X	6 0 0	...	3 1 6	1 0 9	4 2 3	1 17 9	0 16 0	0 12 3	0 2 6	0 2 6	3 11 0
26	14 0 0	10 0 0	...	X	7 10 0	0 2 0	1 10 0	1 2 6	2 14 6	4 15 6	0 19 0	0 10 9	...	0 2 6	6 7 9
28	15 0 0	8 0 0	X	...	2 0 0	0 2 9	...	1 2 6	1 5 3	0 14 9	0 14 4	0 13 3	0 2 6	0 2 6	2 7 4
29	12 0 0	4 0 0	X	...	1 10 0	0 2 9	...	0 19 0	1 1 9	0 8 3	0 11 6	0 12 3	0 2 6	0 2 6	1 17 0
No of Animals. 15	199 10 0	113 0 0	8	7	65 1 8	0 15 6	28 13 6	15 16 5	45 5 5	19 16 3	12 13 1	9 0 11	0 18 9	1 12 6	44 1 6

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Statement No. III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1913.

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH CASES REPORTED DURING THE MONTH OF MAY WHICH PROVED *NEGATIVE*.

Case Number.	Veterinary Expenses.	Fee to Veterinary Surgeons for Reporting.	Charge for Bacteriological Work.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2	0 10 0	...	0 2 6	0 12 6
3	0 14 6	0 2 6	...	0 17 0
4	0 12 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	0 17 6
7	0 3 1	0 2 6	...	0 5 7
8	1 4 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	1 9 6
9	0 15 0	0 2 6	0 2 6	1 0 0
10	0 15 0	0 2 6	...	0 17 6
11	0 5 6	0 2 6	...	0 8 0
14	1 9 4	...	0 2 6	1 11 10
15	0 14 0	...	...	0 14 0
16	0 9 0	...	0 2 6	0 11 6
19	0 10 6	0 2 6	...	0 13 0
21	0 13 0	...	0 2 6	0 15 6
22 (*b*)	0 3 7	0 1 3	0 2 6	0 7 4
23	0 13 6	0 2 6	0 2 6	0 18 6
24	0 10 0	...	...	0 10 0
No. of Animals 16	10 3 0	1 3 9	1 2 6	12 9 3

Statement No. IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1913.

SUMMARY.

Total Cost in Cases slaughtered, as per Statement No. II., ...	£44	1	6
Total Cost in Negative Cases, as per Statement No. III., ...	12	9	3
* Salary of additional Veterinary Inspector, ...	17	6	8
Additional Clerical Assistance, ...	5	10	0
	£79	7	5
Deduct amount recoverable from Treasury, ...	9	18	1
Net Cost to Local Authority, ...	£69	9	4

* The whole of the salary of the additional Veterinary Inspector is charged as against the Order, but no part of the Chief Inspector's salary is charged against it.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

10th September, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 10th September, 1913, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Present—

William Barr.
James Cameron.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
William Love.
John M. Loudon.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
D. Kinloch Michie.
Andrew Murdoch.
William Neilson.
James Prentice.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., Veterinary Inspector.

Chairman. Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 25th June, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Orders by Board of Agriculture. The Clerk laid before the meeting several Orders by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries amending the Horses (Importation and Transit) Order of 1912, and other Orders, the purport of which he briefly explained.

Tuberculosis Order, 1913.—Statements re operation during first four months. Under reference to the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, the Clerk submitted statements (Appendix) showing the number of animals dealt with under the Order during the months of May, June, July, and August, and also the cost of compensation and administrative expenses, &c.

Board of Agriculture to be communicated with. The Clerk having made certain observations on the Order, and the County Veterinary Inspector having also expressed his views in the matter, the meeting, after discussion, instructed the Clerk to transmit to the Board of Agriculture for their information a copy of the statements submitted, and to express the opinion of this Local Authority that, until the Order was extended to include all animals that are actively capable of disseminating disease, it could not be regarded as satisfactory.

Financial considerations. With regard to the financial aspect of the question, the Clerk was also instructed to respectfully represent to the Board:—

(1) That from the experience already gained it would appear that the money at the Board's disposal was not only sufficient to meet the increased cost of compensation which an extension of the Order, as suggested, would involve, but was sufficient to enable the Board to make an increased grant to Local Authorities; and

(2) That they desired to receive an assurance that the whole of the £60,000 promised by the Treasury in connection with the first year's operation of the Order would be expended for the purposes of the Order, and that any balance remaining over at the end of the first year would not go to reduce the sums already promised by the Treasury for the purposes of the Order in future years.

Letter from Town-Clerk, Glasgow.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, transmitting copy of the reply received from the Treasury declining to receive a deputation from Local Authorities on the subject of compensation payable under the Order. He also submitted prints of the various minutes and other documents relative to conferences and proceedings of the joint-committee appointed by Local Authorities to deal with the Order.

Statements as to compensation paid.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting statements showing:—

(1) Amounts of compensation paid to owners of animals slaughtered under the Order from 21st June to 31st July, amounting in all to £14 10s., which sums had been paid on the certificate of the County Veterinary Inspector, as authorised by the committee; and

(2) Amounts of compensation due to owners in respect of animals slaughtered since the 31st July to 3rd September, amounting in all to £10 10s.

Clerk authorised to pay amount of compensation outstanding.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to make payment of the sums included in the last-mentioned item.

Offers for flesh of slaughtered animals approved of.

There was laid before the meeting a list of the successful offerers for the flesh of animals slaughtered under the Order for the period to 30th June, 1914, which were approved of.

Offerer to be relieved of contract.

The meeting were informed that one of the successful offerers had asked to be relieved of his contract, and it was remitted to the Clerk to deal with the request as he saw fit.

Wart disease of potatoes.—Suspected outbreak at Foxley Farm, Tollcross.—Inspection of premises by Veterinary Inspector.

The Clerk reported that he had received information from Mr. John Clark, Foxley Farm, Tollcross, as to the suspected existence of wart disease of potatoes in the gardens of several ploughmen working on his premises, and that on receipt of this information he had asked Mr. Begg, the County Veterinary Inspector, to make an examination of the premises in question.

Board of Agriculture for Scotland communicated with.

He further stated that he had communicated with the Board of Agriculture for Scotland on the subject, and had sent samples showing the disease, and he submitted and read a letter from the Board intimating that one of their Inspectors would make an examination of the premises in question.

Appointment of Mr. Begg as inspector under the Order.

As relative to the same matter, the Clerk reminded the meeting that, under the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913, it fell to the Local Authority to appoint an Inspector, and the meeting unanimously appointed Mr. Begg to be Inspector under the Order.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.—Notifications.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, forty-four cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and of these one had been certified to be a case of anthrax, the particulars being as follows:—

Anthrax at West Forth Farm, Forth.

West Forth Farm, Forth (Robert Anderson).

Particulars of outbreak.

This outbreak occurred on 8th July, and the animal affected was a three-year-old Ayrshire cow-in-milk which had been bred on the farm. In 1906, a serious outbreak of the disease occurred on this farm, when six animals died, and in 1911 another case occurred. The Veterinary Inspector states that, while the foreign food stuffs may have been the means of carrying infection, suspicion attaches to the grazing-field where the carcases of the diseased animals were cremated in 1906.

Diagnosis of veterinary inspector confirmed by Board of Agriculture.

The Clerk stated that the diagnosis of the Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board; that the carcase had been destroyed, and the usual precautionary measures taken to prevent the spread of the disease. The restrictions were withdrawn on 15th July.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

Parasitic mange.—Two outbreaks.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the Veterinary Inspector in regard to outbreaks of parasitic mange at—

(1) Lightburn, Shettleston (Patrick Taggert), and
(2) Beechwood Terrace, Shettleston (James Rennie).

Particulars of cases.

The Clerk informed the meeting that, in the first case, the affected animal had been exposed at a public sale in Glasgow, but that on the owner being assured that the horse was suffering from the disease he communicated with the purchaser and had the animal destroyed. The Veterinary Inspector examined another horse on the premises of Mr. Taggert, at Lightburn, Shettleston, which was also found to be badly affected with the disease, and was subsequently destroyed.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

In regard to the second case, the animal affected was a 15-hand bay harness mare, which had since recovered, and the restrictions relative thereto had been withdrawn on 11th August.

Sheep Scab Order.—Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk intimated that the restrictions imposed under the Sheep Scab Order had been withdrawn in the following cases, viz.:—

(1) James Prentice, Pettinain.
(2) William Begg, Carnwath.
(3) John Hamilton, Carnwath.
(4) James M'Lean, Glenboig.
(5) William Halliday, Braehead.
(6) John Jack, Dunsyre.

Swine fever.—List of infected places.

The Clerk stated that the undernoted premises had, since the date of last meeting, been defined as swine-fever infected places under the Swine Fever Order, viz.:—

(1) Greendykeside, Longriggend (Wm. Pryde).
(2) Drumpellier, Coatbridge (Colonel Buchanan).
(3) Stonehill, Lesmahagow (Michael Lynch).
(4) Liscleugh Farm, Crawfordjohn (R. & T. Stewart).
(5) The Cross, Chapelton (Elizabeth M'Naughton or Gilmour).
(6) Old Saw-Mill, Murdostoun (Colonel Stewart).
(7) March House, Summit, Elvanfoot (William Kirk).
(8) Loadmanford Farm, Plains (Thomas Allan).
(9) Kirkwood Farm, Avondale (William Wright).
(10) Lampits Farm, Carstairs Junction (John Mather).
(11) Lesserlinn Farm, Kirkfieldbank, Lanark (Mrs. Joan M'Gregor).
(12) Craigthorn Farm, Glassford (Gavin Fleming).
(13) Wellslea Farm, Harthill (William Smellie).
(14) Tweedieside Farm, Stonehouse (John Lawrie).
(15) Greenfield Farm, Strathaven (James Young).
(16) Wester Farm, Busby (William Ballantyne).

Withdrawal of restrictions.

and that the Board had withdrawn the restriction in all the cases above named, and also in the following cases previously reported, viz.:—

Moss-side Farm, Glenmavis (Adam Smith).
Wester Farm, Busby (William Ballantyne).

Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880.—Contraventions.

There were submitted to the meeting police informations against the following persons for alleged contraventions of the Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880, viz.:—

(1) William Hallet, Govanhill, Glasgow; and
(2) Peter Thomson, *alias* M'Donald, *alias* Cunningham, and two others, all residing in Glasgow;

Proceedings to be instituted in case of Peter Thomson and others.

and the Clerk having explained the circumstances of the cases referred to, the meeting instructed him to send the information in the latter case to the Fiscal with a view to a prosecution being instituted.

Swine Fever Order.—Contravention.

The Clerk also submitted informations against (1) George Kemp, Harthill, Shotts, for a contravention of the Swine Fever Order in respect that he moved two young pigs from Whitburn, Linlithgowshire, to his premises at Harthill, without having obtained the necessary licence; and (2) John Monteath, Clydesdale Street, Hamilton, for a contravention of the Sheep Dipping Order in respect that he failed to dip twenty-four cross-hogs within the prescribed period for dipping.

Sheep Dipping Order.—Contravention.

Committee's decision.

After consideration, the meeting instructed the Clerk to send a warning in the case of the first accused.

39th Annual Congress of Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland.—Appointment of delegates to attend.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, inviting the appointment of delegates to attend the 39th Annual Congress of the Association, to be held at Glasgow on 10th to 13th current, and the meeting appointed the following representatives, viz.:—Messrs. Templeton, Love, Sym, and Cameron, along with the Clerk and Veterinary Inspector.

Annual Meeting of Association of Veterinary Officers of Health.—Paper on subject of Tuberculosis Order, 1913, by Clerk.

There was also laid before the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the Association of Veterinary Officers of Health, inviting the appointment of delegates to attend the annual meeting of the Association, on 3rd October, when a paper on the Tuberculosis Order would be read by the Clerk (Mr. Munro), and it was agreed that as many members of the committee as could find it convenient should be present.

Application by Mr. Taylor, Assistant Veteriuary Inspector, for increase of salary continued.

There having been submitted and read to the meeting a letter from Mr. James F. Taylor, Assistant Veterinary Inspector, making application for an increase of salary, the meeting continued the matter for further consideration.

Account for cleansing of vehicles.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to pay the account, amounting to £3 2s. 6d., due to the Sanitary Inspector, Coatbridge, for disinfecting vehicles used in the conveyance of swine to Strathmore Auction Mart, Coatbridge.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1913.

STATEMENTS SHOWING NUMBER OF ANIMALS DEALT WITH DURING MONTHS OF MAY, JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST, 1913; RESULTS OF PRELIMINARY AND *POST-MORTEM* EXAMINATIONS; COST OF COMPENSATION; AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES, &c.

Statement No. 1.

NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED AND RESULTS OF PRELIMINARY AND *POST-MORTEM* EXAMINATIONS.

	No. of Cases.	Died or killed by Owner during Investigation.	Result of Preliminary Examination.		Result of *Post-mortem* Examination.	
			Negative.	Positive.	Advanced.	Not Advanced.
May, ...	29 (32 animals)	5	12	15	8	7
June, ...	16 (19 animals)	1	7	11	7	4
July, ...	12 (14 animals)	1	10	3	3	—
August, ...	9 (11 animals)	Nil	8	3	3	—
Total, ...	66 (76 animals)	7	37	32	21	11

Statement No. 2.

COST OF COMPENSATION; ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES; AND NET COST TO LOCAL AUTHORITY.

A.—Positive Cases.

	No. of Animals Slaughtered.	Compensation payable to Owner.	Salvage, less Cost of Removal of Animals.	Net Cost of Compensation.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors, Notification Fees, &c.	Total.
May, ...	15	£65 1 8	£36 4 6	£28 17 2	£15 4 4	£44 1 6
June, ...	11	40 5 0	21 2 0	19 3 0	6 14 5	25 17 5
July, ...	3	5 0 0	1 19 1	3 0 11	1 13 3	4 14 2
August, ...	3	5 0 0	1 3 4	3 16 8	2 19 8	6 16 4
	32	£115 6 8	£60 8 11	£54 17 9	£26 11 8	£81 9 5

B.—Negative Cases.

	No. of Animals.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors, Notification Fees, &c.	
May, ...	12	£14 14 4	
June.	7	5 7 9	
July, ...	10	5 5 3	
August, ...	8	3 14 8	29 2 0
	37		£110 11 5
Salary of additional Veterinary Inspector (4 months), ...			£69 6 8
Cost of additional clerical assistance (4 months), ...			22 0 0
			£201 18 1
Deduct—Half of net cost of compensation recoverable from Treasury (£54 17s. 9d.), ...			27 8 10
Net cost to Local Authority, ...			£174 9 3

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 21st May, 1913, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 21st May, 1913.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
Alexander Hamilton.
J. Hamilton Houldsworth.
James T. Macdonald.
William Neilson.
William Sym.
James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.

Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd April, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

With reference to the by-laws regulating registered places for public refreshment, the Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting proceedings had been taken and convictions obtained in sixty-two cases. In fifty-eight of these cases fines, ranging from 10s. to £5, were imposed, while in the other four the accused were admonished, after giving an undertaking to abide by the by-laws. — *By-laws regulating registered places for public refreshment.—Result of prosecutions.*

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. Joseph Zambonini, the occupier of a registered shop at Huttonfoot Place, Carfin, requesting that the registration thereof be withdrawn. — *Application for withdrawal of registration by Joseph Zambonini, Carfin.*

After consideration, the meeting agreed to accede to the request, and agreed that in future all applications for withdrawal of registration should be submitted to the committee. — *Request granted.*

The Clerk reported that the stated case (Ferrucio Lena *v.* J. M. Davidson) under the by-laws, had been put out for hearing in the Court of Justiciary, and would probably be reached on the 30th or 31st current. — *Stated case.—Date of hearing probable.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Mrs. Eliza Casci Lena, asking that the registration, in her husband's name, of premises situated at 53 High Street, Carluke, be transferred to her. The committee agreed to grant the request, subject to the written consent of the husband being obtained. — *Letter from Mrs. Eliza Casci Lena desiring transference of registration.—Agreed.*

Carluke refreshment shops.—Request for extension of time under bye-laws during Fair Week.

The Clerk stated that he had been in communication with Mr. Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold, who had written to him on behalf of occupiers of refreshment shops in Carluke, with a view to obtaining the permission of the County Council to allow these shops to remain open after the closing hour specified in the by-laws during the remainder of the current week, on the occasion of the Carluke Fair.

No action taken in matter.

The Clerk having expressed the opinion that the Statute did not provide for the granting of such permission, except in the case of special entertainments held on registered premises, the committee decided to take no action in the matter.

Application by Patrick Jones, Carfin, for special permit to keep registered premises open on the occasion of a special entertainment.—Request acceded to.

There was submitted to the meeting a request by Mr. Patrick Jones, Carfin, to keep his registered premises situated at Parochial Hall, Carfin, open after the hour stated in the by-laws on the occasion of a special entertainment to be held therein on the 23rd current, and the committee decided to grant the permission asked for.

Petitions for amendment of by-laws.—Letters from Messrs. Robertson & Gordon Shaw, Glasgow.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Messrs. Robertson & Gordon Shaw, writers, Glasgow, transmitting petitions from occupiers of refreshment shops in the districts of (1) Bellshill; (2) New Stevenston, Carfin, Chapelhall, Calderbank, and Holytown; and (3) Uddingston, asking for an amendment of the by-laws, and requesting that a deputation be heard in support of the petitions.

Mr. Gordon Shaw heard in support of Petitions.

The committee thereafter agreed to hear the petitioners. The deputation having been introduced, Mr. Gordon Shaw briefly stated the views of the petitioners.

No action to be taken in matter pending result of stated case.

The deputation having withdrawn, the committee decided to make no recommendation to the County Council for an amendment of the by-laws pending the decision of the Court of Justiciary in the stated case, and the Clerk was instructed to write Messrs. Robertson & Gordon Shaw accordingly.

Shops Act.—Inspector's report for March.

The Clerk submitted report (Appendix I.) containing a summary of the work done by the Inspectors appointed under the Shops Act for the month of March, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Letter from Secretary of Lesmahagow Merchants' Association re half-holiday order for Lesmahagow and Coalburn districts.—Meeting approved of Clerk's reply.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Secretary of the Lesmahagow Merchants' Association, requesting that a Half-Holiday Order be made for the Lesmahagow and Coalburn Districts. He reminded the committee that, at the request of this Association, there had recently been promoted a Weekly Half-Holiday Order applicable to the whole parish, but that it had been dropped owing to the want of sufficient support, and that he had written to the Secretary, stating that if the Association presented a petition in favour of an Order to be applicable to the restricted area now suggested, signed by as many of the shopkeepers as possible, the matter would have the further consideration of this committee. The meeting approved of the Clerk's reply.

Cambuslang coal merchants.—Request to be included in half-holiday closing order.

There was also submitted a request by the coal merchants in Cambuslang, that they should be included in the Half-Holiday Closing Order. The committee, however, agreed that it would be inexpedient to make an Order relating to one particular trade for such a small area, but expressed their willingness to consider the making of an Order for the whole of the Middle Ward District, provided that there was submitted evidence of a general desire on the part of the coal merchants within that district for such an Order.

Proposal to close Carmunnock Post Office on day of weekly half-holiday.—

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Postmaster, Glasgow, in reference to a proposal to close Carmunnock Post Office to the public at one o'clock p.m. on the day of the weekly half-holiday.

Agreed to.

The committee agreed to the proposal, on condition that at least a fortnight's notice was given to the general public of the proposed change.

Band by-laws contravention.

There were laid before the meeting police informations against the following persons for alleged offences against the by-laws regulating the assembling or procession of bands, &c., viz. :—

(1) George Thompson and others, members of the Airdrie Old Union Brass Band
(2) Thomas Norris and others, members of the Saint Rollox Temperance Pipe Band; and
(3) Michael Hughes and others, members of the Coatbridge St. Patrick's Brass Band.

The Clerk explained that the offence in each case was failure to obtain the necessary permit, and the committee instructed him to warn the accused against a repetition of the offence. *Letter of warning to be sent to offenders.*

With reference to the by-laws made by the County Council, in terms of Sections 2 and 6 of the Advertisements Regulations Act, 1907, the Clerk stated that a copy of the bye-laws had been sent to the Secretary for Scotland, and he submitted the reply (Appendix II.) which had been received. The committee agreed to continue the matter for further consideration. *Draft proposed by-laws under Advertisements Regulations Act, 1909. — Communication from Secretary for Scotland.*

There was submitted to the meeting a communication from the Lord Provost of Glasgow, which was in the following terms, viz. :— *King Edward Memorial.—Letter from Lord Provost of Glasgow.*

" City Chambers,
" Glasgow, 16th April, 1913.

" Dear Sir,—

" King Edward Memorial.—Crusade against Consumption.

" Since this scheme was promulgated, the Final Report of the Departmental Committee on Tuberculosis has been issued. The Committee recommend the systematic organisation, throughout the United Kingdom, of research work in connection with the prevention, detection, and treatment of tuberculosis.

" The Government are placing a sum of not less than £57,000 per annum at the disposal of an Advisory Council and an Executive Committee, who, between them, will control and supervise the work wherever carried on. This sum will enable them to investigate the disease in a thorough and comprehensive manner, and the carrying out of the scheme outlined in the Report will give effect to the aims the Memorial Committee had before them in proposing to establish an Institute of Research as a Memorial to the late King Edward. Their proposals having been satisfactorily superseded, they are of opinion that philanthropic effort in the manner outlined in their circular of 31st May, 1912, is no longer required, at least in the meantime.

" They accordingly recommend that the subscriptions which have been received be returned.

" I am, Dear Sir,

" Yours truly,

" D. M. STEVENSON.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to return to the respective donors the subscriptions received by him. *Subscriptions to be returned.*

The Clerk stated that the subscriptions intimated in connection with the Livingstone Centenary Fund amounted to £315 2s. 7d. *Livingstone Centenary Fund.—Amount of subscriptions intimated.*

The meeting agreed that a list of the subscriptions to this Fund should be published in the local newspapers, and a note attached thereto inviting further contributions. *Clerk authorised to publish list of subscribers.*

The Clerk reported that, having received intimation from Messrs. Archibald and John M'Donald, Baillieston, that the Pavilion Picture House, Baillieston, had been completed, and the Engineer having made an inspection of the premises and reported that they had been constructed in accordance with the plans passed by the committee on 18th December last, he (the Clerk) had on 26th April granted to Messrs. M'Donald a licence for one year to 26th April, 1914, on the usual conditions. The meeting approved. *Cinematograph Act, 1909. — Pavilion Picture House, Baillieston.*

Renewal of licences.

The following applications for renewal of licences were submitted to the meeting, viz. :—

Applicant.	Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.	Period for which renewal desired.
		1913.	
William & James Lewis, Cambuslang.	Rink Picture Palace, Cambuslang.	20th April.	1 year.
John Cassels, Writer, Hamilton, on behalf of Peter Wyper.	Dixon's Hall, Cambuslang.	22nd May.	1 year.
Rene Clayton, Hamilton, on behalf of Peter Swallow.	Movable Structure (presently in Dumfriesshire).	17th May.	1 year.
Thomas Ellis, Shotts.	Co-operative Hall, Cleland.	29th May.	1 month.

Satisfactory reports by the Police having been read, the meeting agreed to grant the applications.

Renewal of licence.—Coronation Hall, Harthill.

The Clerk reported that the licence held by Mr. Michael Burns in respect of the Coronation Hall, Harthill, had expired on 19th April last, and that entertainments had been given in the hall since that date without a licence. Mr. Burns was informed on 15th current that, if he wished the licence renewed immediate application should be made, but no reply had been received.

The meeting remitted the matter to the Clerk, with power to renew the licence should he receive a satisfactory explanation from Mr. Burns, and if not, to institute a prosecution.

21st May, 1913.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Act 1912, and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1913.

During the month inspections were made in 11 localities, and 57 shops were visited (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Bakers,	3	Grocers,	7
Boot and Shoemaker,	1	Hairdressers and Tobacconists,	2
Butcher,	1	Licensed Hawkers,	2
Coal Merchant,	1	Painters,	4
Dairykeeper,	1	Stationer and Newsagent,	1
Draper,	1	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	2
Fishmongers,	2	Mixed shops,	28
Fruiterer,	1		

During the month the following statutory notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers who had a difficulty in procuring them, viz. : —

Shop assistants' weekly half-holiday notice,	9
Employment of young persons' notice,	2
Mixed shops notice,	26

A number of the above omissions to have the necessary statutory notices were detected on days other than the weekly half-holiday and are included as contraventions in the appended Table.

Ten localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday when the following contraventions were detected :—

21 cases of failure to exhibit the statutory notices.
2 cases of street trading (oil and hardware).
2 cases of failure to close.
2 cases of supplying non-exempted goods.

Verbal cautions were given by the inspectors in all the above contraventions.

Complaints are being received by the inspectors regarding "mixed shops" selling non-exempted goods on the half-holiday. These shopkeepers have been frequently cautioned by the inspectors and probably the institution of legal proceedings would have a more salutary effect.

A Closing Order for the Parish of Cambuslang came into force on the 14th of the month. An inspection was made on Saturday night at the closing hour, when it was found that the Order was being unanimously observed by all the shopkeepers concerned. "Mixed shops" which are not included in the Order can, of course, remain open after the closing hour but only for the sale of exempted goods and with the exhibition of a notice to that effect. These have all been inspected and informed as to the requirements of the Order in this respect.

Five visits have been made to premises in Overtown, Cambuslang, Stonehouse, and Larkhall, with a view of ascertaining whether the structural arrangements were in accordance with the by-laws.

Four of the premises belonging to bakers who also supplied light refreshments in an adjoining compartment or side room. The partitions in every case were more than 3 feet 6 inches in height above the level of the floor. To avoid the trouble and expense of alterations they agreed to stop selling for consumption on the premises at 8 p.m., and as they do not open on Sundays, they will not require to register their premises under the by-laws.

The remaining shopkeeper carried on a fried fish and potato business in rooms connected with his refreshment shop, but which could be entered by a separate door. As a result of the inspection, he agreed to disconnect the shop entirely from the rooms and register the rooms under the by-laws, reserving the shop for sales off the premises.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections	Visits to Shops.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to close for half-day weekly.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods on Half-Holiday.	Street trading by Van, &c. on Half-holiday.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Statutory Notices.
Bellshill, - -	1	7	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	5
Cadzow, - -	1	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Cambuslang, -	2	19	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	8
Coalburn, - -	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Eastfield, - -	2	10	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Eddlewood, -	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Farme, - -	1	3	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	2
Lesmahagow, -	1	5	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	1
Meikle Earnock,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Quarter, - -	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Strathaven, -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	13	57	2	2	2	...	...	...	1	28

J. T. W.

County Council,
Hamilton, 24*th April*, 1913

APPENDIX II.

Scottish Office
Whitehall. S.W., 4th April, 1913.

Sir,—

Advertisements Regulations Act, 1907.

With reference to your letter of the 28th October last, enclosing a copy of bye-laws made by the County Council of Lanarkshire, in terms of Sections 2 and 6 of the above Act, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to state that, while he has every desire to co-operate with Local Authorities in the administration of the Act, he is of opinion that, in considering bye-laws submitted to him for confirmation, he is bound to be guided by the following definite principles, in regard to which he has consulted with his legal advisers.

In the first place, it appears to the Secretary for Scotland, as advised, that the provisions of the Act do not amount to a general declaration that advertisements will be a disfigurement to the natural beauty of a landscape, although it assumes that, if exhibited in certain places and in a certain manner, they will. Accordingly, power is given to the Local Authority to regulate or prevent the exhibition of advertisements in such places or in such a way as to injure the landscape. From this point of view the Secretary for Scotland would regard himself debarred from confirming a bye-law which would in effect be likely to amount to indiscriminate prohibition of advertisements.

In the second place, any regulation made by a Local Authority, carrying, as it does, the liability, on contravention, to conviction and penalty, ought, in the Secretary for Scotland's view, to be definite in its scope and requirements, so as to convey clearly to any person acquainting himself with its terms what he may or may not do in the matters dealt with by the regulation.

Turning to the first of the bye-laws made by the County Council of Lanarkshire, the Secretary for Scotland regrets that, as advised, he must regard the form adopted as conflicting with the above principles. He notes that the bye-law does in form specify places from which disfiguring advertisements must not be visible, but the places specified appear to him, when taken together, to cover in effect all possible places at which advertisements might be likely to be exhibited, when it is considered that the places specified practically include all places of public resort, and that an advertisement to be an advertisement must be visible to the general public. Accordingly, a person putting up advertisements in the County receives no guidance from the places specified as to whether he is contravening the bye-law or not. The only guidance on which he is left to rely is the indication given by the bye-law when it refers to the disfiguring of the natural beauty of the landscape. But what may disfigure the natural beauty of a landscape must be a matter of opinion to be decided ultimately by the judge before whom is brought a charge of contravention of the bye-laws.

It follows that the total effect of the bye-law is that it would not be possible for any person putting up an outdoor advertisement at any point within the County at which an advertisement could be put up to any purpose to know whether or not he was contravening the bye-law. The Secretary for Scotland regrets that he could not confirm a bye-law which had this effect, but if, on reconsideration, the County Council desire to submit fresh proposals which will not be open to the same objections, he will be glad to give them his favourable consideration.

Mr. M'Kinnon Wood sees no objection to the second of the bye-laws made by the County Council.

In the meantime, and pending a further communication from you, the Secretary for Scotland proposes to defer compliance with your request for a special Order describing the manner in which the bye-law should be published. No general Order has been made by the Secretary for Scotland.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

JAMES M. DODDS.

The County Clerk of Lanarkshire,
Hamilton.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

11th June, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 11th June, 1913, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
John Loudon.
James T. Macdonald.
William Neilson.
William Speirs.
William Sym.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.
Robert Lambie.

Chairman.

Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 21st May, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Shops Act, 1913.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a copy of the Shops Act, 1913, which had been received from the Scottish Office, and briefly explained the purport thereof.

Shops Act, 1912.—Request for exemption from obligation to close on weekly half-holiday during summer months.

There were laid before the meeting petitions from shopkeepers in the following districts, craving for exemption from the provisions of the Shops Act, 1912, relating to a weekly half-holiday, during the months of June, July, and August, viz. :—

(1) Villages of Crossford and Hazelbank;
(2) Kirkfieldbank Special Water Supply District; and
(3) Rosebank.

Order of Exemption agreed to.

The Clerk having made a statement as to the provisions of the Statute, the meeting, after consideration, agreed to make, and hereby make the following order, viz. :—

COUNTY OF LANARK.
SHOPS ACT, 1912.

The County Council of the County of Lanark, in virtue of the powers conferred upon them by Section 11 (1) of the Shops Act, 1912, hereby suspend during the period from the date hereof until 31st August, 1913, the obligation imposed by the said Act to close shops within the villages of Crossford, Kirkfieldbank, Hazelbank, and Rosebank on the day of the weekly half-holiday.

Dated at Hamilton this the eleventh day of June, 1913.

Thomas Munro,
County Clerk.

Note.—It is provided by section 11 (2) of the Shops Act, 1912, that—
"where the occupier of any shop in any place in which any such order of suspen-
"sion is in force satisfies the Local Authority that it is the practice to allow all his
"shop assistants a holiday on full pay of not less than two weeks in every year
"and keeps affixed in his shop a notice to that effect, the requirement that on
"one day in each week a shop assistant shall not be employed after half-past one
"o'clock shall not apply to the shop during such period or periods as aforesaid."

By-Laws regulating registered places for public refreshment.—Result of Stated Case.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting of the committee, the Clerk submitted copies of the opinions of the Judges (appendix) in the case of Ferrucio Lena *v.* J. M. Davidson, which were entirely satisfactory to the County Council, and the purport of which he stated to the meeting.

Opinions of Judges to be printed.

The meeting expressed gratification at the decision, and in view of the importance of the case, the Clerk was instructed to have the opinions of the Judges printed.

Larkhall Refreshment Shops.—Request for extension of time under By-Laws during Fair week.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a petition on behalf of occupiers of refreshment shops in Larkhall for the permission of the County Council to allow these shops to remain open after the closing hour specified in the by-laws during the Larkhall Fair Week.

The Clerk stated that as the petitioners had also been in communication with Mr. Lambie on the subject, he had advised Mr. Lambie of the meeting in case he desired to be present.

No action to be taken.

The Clerk having reminded the committee that at their last meeting they had, on a similar request by occupiers of refreshment places in Carluke District, declined to take any action in the matter, the meeting decided similarly in this case.

Applications for withdrawal of registration.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following applications for withdrawal of registration in respect of premises presently registered as places for public refreshment, viz. :—

Name.	Situation of Premises.
1. Carlo Zambonini,	11 Calder Road, Mossend.
2. Mary M'Hugh,	Main Street, Salsburgh.
3. Giovanni Cosimini,	28 Hamilton Road, Bellshill.
4. Bernardo Cerrone,	421 Main Street, Bellshill.
5. Alexander Dunsmore,	76 Muir Street, Larkhall.
6. T. Matteo,	Glengowan, Caldercruix.
7. Mrs. E. Lynch,	Lauchope Street, Chapelhall.
8. Antonio Cocozza,	115 Station Road, Dykehead, Shotts.
9. Umberto Betti (on behalf of Messrs. Betti & Lazzarini).	(*a*) 210 Main Street, Bellshill; and (*b*) 242 Main Street, Bellshill.
10. Angelo Porrelli,	Windsor Terrace, Cumbernauld Road, Stepps.

Requests to be acceded to if bona fide.

The meeting, after consideration, authorised the Clerk to cancel the registration of the premises above specified, after being satisfied, on enquiry, of the *bona fide* nature of the requests.

Contravention of By-Laws by Pamela Funai.—Proceedings to be taken.

There was submitted to the meeting a police information against Mrs. Pamela Funai, 3 Main Street, Uddingston, for an alleged contravention of the By-laws. The Clerk having stated that the accused had been twice previously convicted, he was instructed to send the information to the Fiscal with a view to proceedings being instituted.

Result of prosecutions.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting thirteen prosecutions under the by-laws had been instituted, and convictions obtained in every case, fines of £1 to £2 being imposed in twelve cases, while in the remaining case the accused was admonished.

Band By-Laws. — Salvation Army Permit.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a form of permit under the By-laws regulating the assembling or procession of bands, &c., which he had received from Major Cheadle on behalf of the Salvation Army.

Permit adjusted.

After consideration, the meeting agreed to grant a permit in the terms submitted, subject to the condition that it may be revoked at any time by the County Council.

Postal facilities at Annathill.—Letter from Mr. J. Gorman.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 27th May, from Mr. J. Gorman, Schoolhouse, Annathill, Glenboig, which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"DEAR SIR,

"As we have been trying to get our Post Office here extended into a Money Order, Savings Bank, and Telephone or Telegraph Office, we beg to ask you, as our Central Authority, to become guarantors for this extension for a period of two years, until we are successful in getting it permanently established without a guarantee. There is no public body or authority here to become responsible for anything, and, as I understand that the County Council have become guarantors in some small districts already, I hope you will consider the proposal favourably. I have been in communication with Mr. J. Duncan Millar, M.P., about these things, and he has got the sanction of the Postmaster-General to get these facilities after we have provided the necessary guarantee. I may say there would be little risk of loss, as the business done would more than repay the guarantee.

"I am,

"Yours, &c.,

"J. GORMAN."

Communication to be addressed to Post Office.

The meeting, while they did not see their way to recommend the County Council to become guarantors in the matter referred to, instructed the Clerk to make a communication to the Post Office in support of the efforts to obtain an extension of the postal and telegraph facilities indicated in Mr. Gorman's letter.

Communication from Mid-Scotland Ship Canal National Association.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Mid-Scotland Ship Canal National Association, together with a print of the formal application by the Association to the Development Commissioners for a grant from the funds under their administration.

Reply to be sent.

The meeting expressed approval of the object, and remitted to the Clerk to make an appropriate reply.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Application for Licence by Mr. Richard Gray Murray.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting an application for a cinematograph licence by Mr. Richard Gray Murray, 20 Northburn Street, Glasgow, in respect of the Public Hall, East Kilbride, together with the engineer's report thereon.

Committee's decision.

The Committee were of opinion that before the licence could be granted the following recommendations should be given effect to, viz. :—

(1) All doors to open outwards;

(2) A light to be placed at the emergency exit leading into the field; and

(3) The porch on which it is intended to place the cinematograph apparatus to be of sufficient strength to bear the weight of the apparatus and the operator;

and instructed the Clerk to inform Mr. Murray accordingly.

Intimations in regard to Moveable Structures.

The Clerk reported that since the date of last meeting intimations had been received from George Green, Glasgow, in respect of proposed cinematograph entertainments in moveable structures, as follows :—

(1) At Park Thorn Lane, Bellshill, on Wednesday, 18th June; and

(2) At Shotts, on 1st July.

APPENDIX.

JUSTICIARY APPEAL COURT.

OPINIONS OF JUDGES

IN APPEAL:

FERRUCIO LENA

v.

JOHN MARR DAVIDSON.

5th June, 1913.

Lord KINNEAR—My Lords, this is an appeal against a conviction for breach of certain bye-laws made by the County Council of Lanarkshire for preventing premises, occupied by the appellant as a place of public refreshment, being kept open contrary to the regulations of the bye-laws.

The prosecution is instituted under the Burgh Police Acts. 1903 and 1911; but I think we are concerned only with the Act of 1903, because the Act of 1911 does nothing more for the prosecutor than extend to places of public refreshment provisions which were, under the previous Act, applicable only to places for the sale of ice-creams and aerated waters. But I do not understand that there is any dispute that, if the Act of 1903, properly construed, would justify this bye-law with reference to ice-cream shops and shops for the sale of aerated waters, the Act of 1911 comes in and makes it a good bye-law with reference to all places of public refreshment. The question, therefore, really is—what does the Act of 1903 allow.

Now, there is no appeal upon the merits of this conviction—assuming that the proceedings were competent—because the conviction proceeds upon the confession of the accused, but it is said that the proceedings were incompetent upon various grounds.

The statement of the appellant's objections, in the stated case, is not perhaps very explicit, but it was very clearly explained to us by his counsel at the bar, and I have no doubt that it was quite clearly explained to the magistrates. The main objection is this, that the bye-laws were either *ultra vires* of the County Council, inasmuch as they are not entitled to inflict any penalty for the non-observance of their prohibition against the keeping open of places of public refreshment, or that, if they were entitled to inflict a penalty, the penalty which the bye-law inflicts is beyond the limit allowed by the Statute.

Now that, of course, depends upon the construction of the provisions of the Act of 1903. The enactment upon which the County Council proceeded in

making these bye-laws is contained in the 97th section of the Act of 1903, which allows a County Council who adopt certain sections of that Act which, in their terms, are applicable, not to County Councils and counties, but only to burghs and Town Councils. But the 97th section allows a County Council to adopt these sections, and, in particular, to adopt Section 82, which, in the marginal note, is described as the section relating to ice-cream shops to be registered.

Now, in order to see what the powers of the County Council are, therefore, we must go to Section 82. Now, that provides, by the first sub-section, that ice-cream shops are to be registered, and anybody who keeps an ice-cream shop which has not been registered is subjected to a penalty. In the second sub-section it is enacted that Section 316 of the Burgh Police Act of 1892 shall be deemed to confer power on the Town Council to make bye-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing of premises registered under this section, and the provisions of the Burgh Police Act of 1892 relating to bye-laws and the confirmation and the enforcement thereof shall apply accordingly.

Now, that sends us, of course, to the Act of 1892, and, in particular, to Section 316. That section allows Police Commissioners to make bye-laws for certain purposes. The Commissioners may, from time to time, make bye-laws as they think fit for the purposes after-mentioned, and then follows a list (first) of general purposes, and (second) of more special sanitary purposes. Now, these purposes had nothing to do with the bye-laws which the Town Council is specially authorised to make by Section 82 of the 1903 Act. They are bye-laws for different purposes altogether. But what the 1903 Act provides is that this section, which provides the other things, shall be deemed to confer power to make bye-laws with regard to the opening and closing of these places of refreshment. Therefore, the reference to Section 316 is simply for the purpose of bringing in an express power to make bye-laws. The bye-laws which are authorised by a reference to this Act are bye-laws defined not by Section 316 itself, but expressly defined by Section 82. But then that section provides, as I have said, not only that Section 316 of the 1892 Act shall be deemed to confer power to make bye-laws on the subject in question, but that the provisions of that Act relating to bye-laws and the confirmation and enforcement thereof shall apply accordingly.

Now, following upon Section 316, which is a bare power to make the bye-laws, there are subsequent sections which are really consequential and ancillary, by which the bye-laws may be enforced by the imposition of penalties; and, in particular, the immediately following Section 317 enacts that the magistrates and commissioners, by the bye-laws authorised by the Act, may impose such reasonable penalties as they think fit, not exceeding 40s., for each breach of such bye-law. And then there follows a certain series of (which I have called ancillary) provisions for the registration, confirmation, and enforcement of these bye-laws. The material consideration is that, when you read these two sections together, what the Statute of 1903 authorises Town Councils to do is to make bye-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing of the premises registered under that section, and to make such provision for the confirmation and enforcement of these bye-laws as the Statute of 1892 allows. The practical effect is that the Town Council, under this Act, may pass bye-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing of the premises, and may make penalties for punishing the offence of disobeying these bye-laws—for the violation of these bye-laws by a penalty not exceeding 40s. That is the position of the Town Council.

Now, as I have said, that provision, subject to qualifications to which I shall refer immediately, may be adopted by the County Council. And the County Council of Lanarkshire has adopted them. But then they have made a bye-law which inflicts a penalty of a much larger amount than that authorised by the Act of 1892, for their penalty is a sum not exceeding £5, instead of not exceeding 40s. And the real question—at least, the most important question—is whether that is authorised by their Statute or not.

Now, that depends upon the 97th section, which authorises the adoption of the 82nd, and that provides that a county may, by resolution, adopt certain sections of this Act, one of which is Section 82, and, after a date, to be specified in the resolution, the adopted section shall have effect throughout the county, with the substitution of county for burgh, and County Council for Town Council, and of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, Section 57 thereof, for the principal Act, that is, the Burgh Police Act of 1892, and Section 316 thereof.

Now, in the application of Section 97 of the Act of 1892 it does not appear to me to be in the least decree doubtful what Parliament means by that provision. In the first place, Section 82 is to be adopted for the county; and, therefore, the first clause, which requires that every person who shall keep, or suffer to be kept or used, or who shall use a house as an ice-cream shop or aerated water shop, without being registered in a register to be kept by the Town Council, who are hereby required to keep a register for that purpose, is liable to a penalty of £5—that is made applicable to the county by simply substituting the words "County Council" for the words "Town Council." But then that is not the clause which enables bye-laws to be made. It is the immediately succeeding sub-section, Sub-section 2, and we are to read that according to the prescription of Section 97, substituting as we read it the words "57" and "1889" for the words "316" and "principal Act." So far as regards burghs, the 82nd section required that they should go to Section 316 of the principal Act or the Act of 1892 in order to find their power to make bye-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing the premises, and that the provisions of that Act should apply to the enforcement of these bye-laws.

Now, if we read that as 97 requires us to read it, the enactment is Section 57 of the Local Government Act of 1889 shall be deemed to confer power on the County Council to make bye-laws in regard to the hours of the opening and closing of premises registered under this section, and the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1889, relating to bye-laws and the confirmation and enforcement thereof shall apply accordingly. That appears to me to be quite as plain an enactment as words can make it; and, therefore, if we are to ascertain the powers of the County Council in this matter, we are plainly to go to the Act of 1889.

Now the Local Government Act of 1889 provides, in Section 57, the Council of a county may from time to time make such bye-laws as to them shall seem meet for the administration of the affairs of the county, for the prevention of vagrancy, and for the prevention and suppression of nuisances not already punishable in a summary manner, and may thereby appoint such penalties, not exceeding in any case £5, as they deem necessary for the punishment of offences against the same. Now it was said, upon the construction of that Act, that the purposes for which the county are here empowered to make bye-laws have nothing to do with the hours at which places of public refreshment may be open. It is said that they are confined

to bye-laws for the prevention of vagrancy and for the suppression of nuisances, and also for the administration of the affairs of the county, and that none of these expressions will cover regulations for fixing the hours during which shops may or may not be kept open. If the question depended upon the construction of that clause taken by itself, I must say that, for myself, I should have the greatest difficulty in holding that you could bring in a power to restrict the hours of keeping business premises open under any reasonable construction of the words "administration of the affairs of the county," or "prevention of vagrancy." or "the suppression of nuisances." I should, to say the least, have the greatest doubt whether any of these provisions could be made to apply. But then that does not appear to me to be of the slightest consequence in this case, because we are not sent to Section 57 for the purpose of discovering the particular regulations which it empowers the county to make. That is fixed by the 32nd section of the Act of 1903. We are not to construe this clause separately as an isolated provision regulating the powers of the County Council in this matter, but we are to read it into Section 82, which says that we have substituted 57 for 316 and the Local Government Act for the Act 1892. Section 57 of the Local Government Act shall be deemed to confer power on the County Council to make bye-laws in this matter.

Now that appears to me to be an end of the whole question. Whatever construction we might put upon Section 57, if we were reading it apart from the later Statute and upon its own terms, we are compelled by the Statute of 1903 to deem that it means the particular thing which it has said, upon its own terms, that it does not mean. It is to be held that this clause which empowers the County Council to make bye-laws defines the purpose for which they may make such bye-laws as including, among other things, bye-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing of premises registered under Section 82. I therefore cannot say that I have any doubt as to the construction of these three Statutes taken together.

But then it was said that Section 316 of the Act of 1892, which is specially excluded from consideration by the 97th section of the 1903 Act, is not a section empowering penalties to be made, and that the section which does empower such penalties—empowers bye-laws to be enforced by penalties—is Section 317, which is not mentioned. Now that, again, I think, might be a very forcible observation if the clause which requires us to read out of the 87th section any reference to the Act of 1892 were limited to Section 316 of that Act. But it is not so. We are to substitute not only Section 57 for Section 316, but, wherever the provisions of the principal Act are mentioned, we are to substitute for the principal Act the Local Government Act of 1889: and, therefore, we are to read that the provisions of that Act are to be applied relating to the confirmation and enforcement of the bye-laws which the section, as adopted by the County Council, authorises. The original introduction of Section 317 into Section 82 for this primary purpose of authorising bye-laws by a Town Council was to enable the bye-laws which a Town Council might make to be enforced by penalties. It is still necessary that some provision should be found enabling the bye-laws which the County Council will make to be enforced by penalties also. But then for that purpose we are sent not to the Act of 1892, but to the Act of 1889. The terms of that Act seem to me to be quite clear.

Now it is said with some reason that the result of that reading of the Act is to enable a County Council to impose very much heavier penalties than a Town Council can impose for offences of exactly the same kind. It is said

to be anomalous that keeping an ice-cream shop open in the county should be an offence, to be punished by a penalty of £5, whereas if it is kept open in the town it is punishable only by a penalty of 40s. I do not feel called upon to consider the force of that reasoning at all, nor to conjecture why the Legislature made that distinction between burghs and counties. I do not know, and there is nothing in the Act itself to show why the difference is made. I know nothing about it. But the material fact about it is that a difference is made and intended, for Parliament says, in the first place, the Town Council shall enforce penalties under the regulations introduced by the Act of 1892, and that the County Council shall enforce penalties, not under that Act, but under a different Act which introduces different penalties.

It is absolutely certain, therefore, that Parliament meant, for whatever reason, that the powers of County Councils in the enforcement of penalties should be different from the powers of Town Councils within burghs. And the only question for us is to consider what the difference is, and that does not seem to me to be a question open to controversy. The construction I take to be clear. The objection to the competency was, therefore, rightly repelled by the Court.

But then there is a different exception taken. It is said that the complaint is not relevant, because it is not sufficiently specific in respect that it does not state whether the shop in question was kept open for sale for consumption on the premises, for sale for consumption off the premises, or whether any sale took place at all. I think the answer to that is, obviously that if any of these statements had been introduced into the complaint, they would have been altogether irrelevant. The bye-law does not regulate the consumption of whatever refreshments may be offered for sale in these premises. It has nothing to do with the question whether they are to be consumed on the premises, nor does it prohibit the sale. The express purpose of the bye-law—and the purpose which the Statute intends it shall serve—is to prevent the premises being kept open. That is all that the bye-law prevents, and that, therefore, is quite rightly all that the prosecutor complains that the appellant has done. We were referred, as an authority, to the case of *Rosse* v. *Corporation of Edinburgh*, but so far as it has been upheld, that is a case which appears to me to go far to support the judgment of the Court of Appeal in repelling the objection, because the whole force of that judgment of the House of Lords lies in this, that they say a prohibition to sell a commodity is one thing, a prohibition to keep open premises is another and a different thing; and a Statute which authorises magistrates, under certain conditions, to prohibit a sale, does not thereby authorise the keeping premises open. But then that was a decision pronounced upon the construction of an Edinburgh Police Act—I forget what year; and the Lords held, obviously on very clear ground, that that Act did not authorise the magistrates to prohibit the keeping open of premises at certain times. But this Act of 1903 does the very thing which that Act did not do, because it expressly authorises a Town Council within a burgh and a County Council within a county to make bye-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing of premises registered under the Act, and to enforce these bye-laws by providing penalties to be inflicted upon those disobeying them.

On the whole matter, therefore, my Lords, I am of opinion that the judgment of the Court below is right in the first place, and that the questions submitted for the opinion of this Court ought to be answered in the affirmative.

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11th June, 1913.

OPINION OF LORD JOHNSTON

IN STATED CASE OF

FERRUCIO LENA

v.

JOHN MARR DAVIDSON.

5th June, 1913.

I concur in the judgment your Lordship proposes. Though there is some difficulty on the surface of the case, a careful consideration of the Statutes leads, I think, to a clear conclusion, which may be shortly stated.

The business of ice-cream shops was placed under regulation by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, which contains a clause (Section 54) dealing with the manufacture and sale, and another (Section 82) dealing with the registration of such shops, and the regulation of their traffic. Particularly Section 82, Sub-section 2, empowers Town Councils to enact bye-laws restricting the hours during which such shops may be kept open. This it does by extending the purposes for which bye-laws may be made under Section 316 of the principal Burgh Police Act, viz., that of 1892 to include this additional purpose, and enacting that "the provisions of the principal Act relating to bye-laws and the confirmation and enforcement thereof shall apply accordingly." One of these provisions was contained in Section 317, which empowered the magistrates to impose penalties for the enforcement of their bye-laws, but not exceeding 40s. for each breach of such bye-laws. Other necessary provisions were contained in Sections 318-323.

But though properly a Burgh Police Act, the Act of 1903 contained a provision, Section 97, which authorised County Councils to adopt its 54th and 82nd sections dealing with ice-cream shops, or either of them, in which case the adopted sections or section were to have effect throughout the county, as if county were substituted for burgh, and County Council for Town Council. Had the section stopped there the County Council's power of making bye-laws would have depended on the Act of 1903, Section 82 (2), and through it upon the principal Burgh Police Act, 1892, Section 316, and following sections. But Section 97 proceeds to say,—and substituting "the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, and Section 57 thereof, for the principal Act and Section 316 thereof." Turning then to the Local Government Act, 1889, Section 57, it will be found that it empowers the County Council to make bye-laws on certain subjects, enforceable by penalties not exceeding £5, with subsidiary provisions which cover all the matters regarding bye-laws which are dealt with by the principal Burgh Police Act, not only in Section 316, but also in Sections 317-323. Consequently the County Councils, though the mode of conferring the power is unnecessarily confusing, are in fact empowered to deal with ice-cream shops exactly as Town Councils are, but under their own Bye-laws Code, and under no limitation from the terms of the corresponding Town Council Bye-laws Code. Hence, though it may appear anomalous, the County Councils are authorised to enact a maximum £5 penalty for an offence for which the Town Council can only enact a maximum 40s. penalty.

I therefore think that the County Council were not acting *ultra vires* in exacting a maximum £5 penalty in enforcement of the bye-law in question, and that the determination of the Justice of Peace Court to that effect is sound.

There are certain other points submitted to us, but on these I do not think it necessary to add anything.

Lord JOHNSTON—(Written, concurring).

Lord MACKENZIE—My Lords, I am of the same opinion. It is plain from the examination of the Statutes which your Lordship has made that the Legislature did not put County Councils and Town Councils on the same footing as regards penalties. It would have been a simple and intelligible thing to have made the provisions of 317 of the 1892 Act applicable to County Councils, in which case they would only have been able to impose a penalty of 40s., which is the maximum that can be imposed by a Town Council. But the Legislature have not thought fit to do that, and this Court cannot do it for them. The result is that it is competent for a County Council to impose a penalty of £5 for exactly the same offence for which a Town Council can impose a fine of only 40s.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 30th July, 1913, being a meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 30th July, 1913.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN. | JOHN LOUDON.
WILLIAM DAVIE. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
WILLIAM SYM.

Attending—

ALEXANDER SCOTT, C.E.
Captain DESPARD, Chief Constable of the County.

Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 11th June, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted the reports (Appendices I. and II.), containing summaries of the work done by the inspectors appointed under the Shops Act for the months of April and May, prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Shops Act.—Reports of Inspectors.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following applications for withdrawal of registration in respect of premises presently registered as places for public refreshment, viz.:— *Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911.—Applications for withdrawal of registration.*

(1) Felice Dragonetti, 1 Waterside Street, Strathaven.
(2) Pietro Barilone, Ashley Grange, Bellshill.
(3) George Jack, The Cross, Waterloo, Wishaw.
(4) Andrew Clelland, 95 Muir Street, Larkhall.
(5) Rachel Roberts, 81 Main Street, Cambuslang.
(6) G. M'Culloch, 146 Union Street, Larkhall.
(7) John Walker, Hamilton's Land, Main Street, Overtown.
(8) Elizabeth Watson, 89 Main Street, Holytown.
(9) Mrs. Jamieson, Forbes' Land, Longriggend.
(10) Mrs. J. Mulgrew, 7 Double Brick Row, Carfin.
(11) William Menzies, 29 London Street, Larkhall.
(12) Mrs. Maxwell, 9 Green Street, Bothwell.
(13) Mrs. Mary Brady, Christie's Land, Carfin.

The Clerk stated that in case No. 2 (Pietro Barilone) the shop had been taken over by Antonio Patamia, who had duly lodged an application for registration.

The meeting having been reminded that, when similar applications for withdrawal of registration were previously submitted, it was agreed to cancel the registrations in question, provided that, after making inquiry, the requests were found to be *bona fide*, agreed that the same procedure should be followed, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Registration of premises.—Request by Miss Mary Verrecchia.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from Miss Mary Verrecchia, Lauchope Street, Chapelhall, stating that she had taken over her father's registered premises, situated at Lauchope Street, Chapelhall, and requesting that the registration be transferred to her name.

The Clerk stated that Miss Verrecchia had called upon him and explained that she proposed to carry out certain alterations on the shop, presumably with a view to dividing the existing shop into two, so as to permit of carrying on business after 10 o'clock p.m. in one of the shops, which would not be registered as a place for public refreshment.

The meeting remitted to the Clerk to see that the unregistered premises were entirely separate from the registered premises, and that the by-laws were not infringed in any way.

Alterations of premises.

There were laid before the meeting several communications from shopkeepers in the County, stating that they had carried out alterations on their premises so as to permit of a carrying-out trade after 10 o'clock p.m., and requesting the registration of part of their premises.

Agreed to confer with several burghs in the County.

The meeting, after discussion, continued consideration of the matter, and, meantime, instructed the Clerk to endeavour to arrange a conference with the several burghs in the County, to discuss the whole question of the operation of the by-laws in force in the County and in the several burghs, with a view to possible uniformity of action.

Contraventions.

There were laid before the meeting police informations against several persons for alleged contraventions of the by-laws, and the Clerk having read the complaints, the meeting instructed proceedings to be taken in the following cases, viz.:—

(1) Louis Gonella and Amelia Cardozi or Gonella, 70 Union Street, Larkhall.

(2) Agnes Tweed or Hutton, Taylor's Land, Bridge Street, Longriggend.

(3) Charles Dominic Adams, Dechmont View, Main Street, Uddingston.

Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, five prosecutions under the by-laws had been instituted and convictions obtained in every case, fines ranging from 10s. to £1 being imposed in three cases, while in the remaining two cases the accused were admonished.

Contraventions of band by-laws.—Proceedings to be taken in certain cases.

There were laid before the meeting police informations as to alleged contraventions of the by-laws regulating the assembling and procession of bands, and the nature of these having been explained by the Clerk, the meeting instructed that proceedings be taken in certain cases.

County Council By-laws.—Protest by trades' unionists.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 21st ultimo, from the Secretary of the Ponfeigh Branch of the Miners' County Union, Douglas Water, intimating that, at a meeting of trades unionists held at Douglas Water on 3rd ultimo, a motion was passed unanimously protesting against the by-laws by the County Council relating to (1) premises registered as places for public refreshment, and (2) the assembling and procession of bands.

As it appeared that this communication had been made on a misapprehension as to the effect of the by-laws in both cases, it was remitted to the Clerk to write explaining the position of matters.

Cinematograph Act, 1909—Application by John Gonella.

There was submitted to the meeting an application for a licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, by Mr. John Gonella, Glasgow, in respect of premises at Huttonfoot, Carfin.

The Engineer having reported regarding the hall, the meeting agreed to issue a licence provided the following alterations were carried out to the satisfaction of the Engineer, viz.:—

(1) All doors to be altered so as to open outwards;

(2) The inner door at the vestibule to be widened to at least three feet; and

(3) The apparatus to be placed in an iron enclosure.

Alterations at Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang.

The Clerk reported that, on 2nd July, he had received from Messrs. Macfarlane & Company, Cambuslang, a plan of alterations proposed to be carried out at the Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang, and that, the Engineer having examined the plan, Messrs. Macfarlane were informed that, pending the final decision of the committee, the work might, at the applicants' risk, be proceeded with, provided the Engineer's recommendations were given effect to.

The meeting, having considered the plan and the Engineer's suggestions, approved of the alterations, but were of opinion that an additional exit was necessary at each side of the theatre.

Alterations at Bellshill Electric Theatre.

A plan of alterations proposed to be carried out at Bellshill Electric Theatre having been submitted, and the Engineer having explained the proposals to the committee, the meeting decided that they could not approve of the alterations unless the stair from the new gallery was constructed so as to lead direct to the outside or into the vestibule, and not into the body of the hall.

Entertainments in movable structures.

The Clerk reported that, since last meeting of the Committee, he had received intimation of the following entertainments in movable structures, viz.:—

Name.	Place.	Date.
W. Wilmot, ...	Holytown, ...	19th June, 1913.
T. Paulo, ...	,, ...	,,
,, ...	Calderbank, ...	25th and 26th June, 1913.
,, ...	Larkhall, ...	28th June, 1913.

The Clerk also stated that entertainments had been given by Elizabeth Paine, Dawson Brothers, George Green, and James Johnston & Sons, without notice being given to him, but as the Police had in all cases received intimation of the entertainments, he did not advise that prosecutions should be ordered; he had, however, instructed the Police to warn the offenders that the Act and Regulations must be strictly complied with in future.

Satisfactory reports by the Police regarding all the structures in question were submitted.

Use of acetylene in lanterns.

A letter was submitted from the Secretary for Scotland, dated 30th June, transmitting a copy of further Regulations under the Cinematograph Act, the effect of which is to permit of the use in cinematograph lanterns of acetylene, provided the requirements contained in the Regulations are complied with.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Act, 1912, and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1913.

During the month inspections were made in 11 localities and 74 shops were visited (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows:—

Bakers,	2	Licensed Hawkers,	4
Boot and Shoemakers,	2	Stationers and Newsagents,	3
Dairykeepers,	8	Tailors,	2
Draper,	1	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	1
Fruiterers,	3	Mixed shops,	30
Grocers,	18		

During the month the following notices, required to be exhibited in shops, were issued to shopkeepers, viz.:—

Shop assistants' weekly half-holiday notice, ...	—
Employment of young persons' notice, ...	—
Mixed shops notice, ...	45

A number of the omissions to have the necessary notices were detected on days other than the weekly half-holiday, and are included as contraventions in the appended Table.

Five localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, when the following contraventions were detected:—

10 cases of failure to exhibit the statutory notices.
5 cases of notices unsatisfactory or improperly exhibited.
4 cases of street trading (drapery, floorcloth, groceries, and hardware).
1 case of failure to close.

Under the Closing Order for the Parish of Cambuslang, evening inspections were made at the various closing hours. The closing of premises was fairly punctual and unanimous, the only shops open being for the sale of exempted goods. On inspection six shops, including three licensed grocers, failed to exhibit the statutory notices. One shop was detected selling a non-exempted article after the closing hour.

Verbal cautions were given by the inspectors in all the above contraventions.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to close for Half-day Weekly.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods on Half-Holiday.	Street Trading by Van, &c., on Half-Holiday.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Statutory Notices.
Blantyre, - -	2	4	1	...	...	...	...	..	...	1
Brewsterford, -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cambuslang, -	2	11	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	7
Carnboe, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chapelton, - -	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flemington,- -	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Halfway, - -	1	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
High Blantyre, -	2	6	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	4
Larkhall, - -	1	9	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	5
Shotts, - -	1	11	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Strathaven, - -	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	15	74	2	1	4	...	...	...	..	19

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Hamilton, 16*th May*, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Act, 1912, and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, 1913.

SHOPS ACT 1912.

During the month inspections were made in 26 localities, and 158 shops were visited (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Bakers,	4	Fruiterers,	3
Boot and Shoemakers,	3	Grocers,	47
Butchers,	2	Hairdresser,	1
Chemist,	1	Ironmongers,	2
Coal Merchant,	1	Licensed Hawkers,	2
Confectioners,	4	Newsagents and Tobacconists,	5
Dairykeepers,	12	Pawnbroker,	1
Drapers,	2	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	3
Fishmonger,	1	Mixed shops,	64

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers who had a difficulty in procuring them, viz. :—

Shop assistants' weekly half-holiday notice,	7
Employment of young persons' notice,	4
Mixed shops notice,	51

A number of the above omissions to have the statutory notices were detected on days other than the weekly half-holiday, and are included as contraventions in the appended Table.

Ten localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday when the following contraventions were detected :—

25 cases of failure to exhibit the required notices.
5 cases of notices unsatisfactory or improperly exhibited.
3 cases of street trading.
1 case of failure to give assistant a weekly half-holiday.

Two inspections in the evening were made in connection with the closing order for the parish of Cambuslang when the following contraventions were detected :—

15 cases of failure to exhibit the statutory notices.
4 cases of notices improperly exhibited.
4 cases of failure to close.

Verbal cautions were given by the inspectors in all the above contraventions.

In one locality complaints were received as to non-exempted goods being sold on the weekly half-holiday, and were inquired into An agent was sent into five shops to purchase non-exempted goods, but in every case the shopkeeper refused to supply them. So far as the inspector could see there was no cause for complaint.

Complaints about female assistants employed in three shops not getting proper intervals for meals were also received and inquired into. The three shops concerned were an ironmonger's, a boot and shoemaker's, and a fishmonger's, and the assistants were employed all day without being relieved for meals. The employers were interviewed by the inspector, and it was arranged that the shop doors be closed daily for an hour at mid-day in each case, so that their assistants could have a proper meal hour.

By-Laws regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

Seven inspections were made with a view to ascertaining whether the structural arrangements of the premises were in accordance with the requirements of the By-Laws. In one case the inspection was made at the request of the proprietor of a refreshment shop, who proposed to open a small wooden hut at the back of his shop for the sale of fried fish and potatoes off the premises. No cases of default fall to be reported.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street trading by Van, &c., on Half-holiday	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Section 10 (1).
Auchinairn,	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baillieston,	3	27	...	...	3	...	3	1	...	9
Bankend,	1	1	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	1
Barrachnie,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Bellshill,	1	5	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Bishopbriggs,	1	17	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	13
Brocketsbrae,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Caldercruix,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cambuslang,	4	23	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	7
Crossford,	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Dalserf,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ferniegair,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flemington,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gilbertfield,	1	14	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Hallside,	1	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Hazelbank,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Holytown,	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirkfieldbank,	1	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Larkhall,	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Longriggend,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
New Stevenston,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Newton,	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Plains,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rosebank,	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Uddingston,	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Westburn,	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	31	158	5	2	3	1	3	1	...	58

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Hamilton, 20*th June*, 1913.

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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

24th September, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 24th September, 1913, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Davie.	James T. Macdonald.
Alexander Hamilton.	Wm. Neilson.
John Loudon.	William Sym.

James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.

Chairman.

In the absence of Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, from whom an apology for absence was submitted, Mr. Hope Vere was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 30th July, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed by the chairman.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.

Alterations to Bellshill Electric Theatre.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk reported that the Architect for the proposed alterations at Bellshill Electric Theatre had informed him that the proposal to erect a gallery had meantime been dropped, but that the alterations approved by the committee were being carried out.

Exits at Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang.

The Clerk read a letter which he had received from Mr. W. Lewis, the licensee of the Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang, dated 20th September, explaining the present exit arrangements at the theatre, and stating that he considered them quite adequate without the construction of the two additional exits recommended by the committee at the last meeting.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed to appoint Messrs. Hamilton, Macdonald, and Sym as a sub-committee to make an inspection of the theatre, with special reference to the sufficiency of the exits, with power to specify such conditions as they may deem necessary.

Hall at Huttonfoot, Carfin.

With reference to the application by Mr. John Gonnella, Glasgow, for a license in respect of premises at Huttonfoot, Carfin, which was granted by the committee at last meeting, subject to certain alterations being carried out on the hall, the Clerk reported that Mr. Gonnella had called on him, and explained that instead of widening the main exit he proposed to convert into a door a window on the same side as the main exit, and that instead of placing the apparatus in an iron box, he proposed to line the whole sides, floor, and ceiling of the enclosure with sheet-iron.

The Engineer having reported regarding the alterations proposed by Mr. Gonnella, the meeting considered them satisfactory, and instructed the Clerk to issue a license on their being completed to the Engineer's satisfaction.

Plans of new Picture Theatre at Coalburn.

The Clerk submitted plans of a new picture house proposed to be erected at Coalburn by Mr. John Arneil, Lesmahagow. The meeting approved of the plans, on condition that an additional exit was made at the side of the theatre where no exit was shown, and instructed the Clerk to issue a license on the building being completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Public Hall, Larkhall.

The Clerk reported that on 15th August he received a letter from Mr. Thomas Lawrie Frame, Secretary to the Larkhall Public Hall Company, Limited, stating that extensive alterations had been carried out on the Public Hall, Larkhall, and requesting a license. A formal application having been filled up, and the Engineer having reported that the premises were in order, the Clerk had granted an interim license to 30th current, so that entertainments might be given until the application could be dealt with by the committee.

The meeting approved, and, having considered the Engineer's report, agreed to grant a license for one year.

Hall at Oakbank, Muirhead.

The Clerk also reported that on 6th August he had received from Mr. Andrew Blain, Govan, an application for transfer of the license held by Mr. C. G. Mulholland, in respect of the hall at Oakbank, Muirhead, and that the police having reported that they had no objections, he had granted an interim license to 30th current.

A letter, dated 17th current, was read from Mr. Andrew Baillie, the proprietor of the hall, making application for the license, and stating that Mr. Andrew Blain, to whom the interim license had been granted, had got into difficulty, and could not carry on the entertainments.

The meeting approved of the granting of the interim license, and instructed the Clerk to issue a new license for one year to Mr. Baillie.

Hall in Main Street, Forth.

An application having been submitted from Mr. Thomas Ellis, Dykehead, for a licence in respect of the hall in Main Street, Forth, and the Engineer's report on the hall having been read, the meeting agreed to grant a license on the following conditions being complied with, viz.:—

(1) All doors to open outwards;

(2) The enclosure to be placed behind the wooden partition, in a position satisfactory to the Engineer; and

(3) For a distance of at least three feet round the aperture in the wooden partition a lining of asbestos or other fireproof material to be provided.

Co-operative Hall, Cleland.

An application was also submitted from Mr. Ellis for a license in respect of the Co-operative Hall, Cleland. The Clerk reminded the committee that the applicant had held a license for this hall from 23rd October, 1912, to 29th June, 1913, and stated that the applicant was in attendance and desired to be heard by the committee in support of his application. Mr. Ellis, having explained his proposals for the improvement of the hall, and the committee, having heard the Engineer in regard thereto, agreed to grant a license on condition that, before any further entertainments were given in the hall, an outside enclosure was constructed at the end of the hall opposite the exit.

Public Hall, Uddingston.

An application was submitted from Mr. Charles A. Barnett, Glasgow, for a license in respect of the Public Hall, Uddingston. A report by the Engineer having been read, the meeting remitted to Messrs. Hamilton, Macdonald, and Sym to inspect the hall, with power to authorise the issue of a license, subject to such conditions as they might think necessary.

Pryde's Hall, Glengowan.

The Clerk submitted an application from Mr. John Pryde, Glengowan, for a license for his hall at Glengowan, and explained that this hall had been previously licensed by the committee for a year to August, 1912.

The Engineer's report having been considered, the meeting instructed the issue of a license, and agreed that Article No. 5 (2) [outside enclosure] of the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland should not apply in the present case.

Renewal of Licenses.

The following applications for renewal of licenses were submitted, viz.:—

Licensee.	Premises.	Date of Expiry.
George Urie Scott, Glasgow,	Picture House, Larkhall,	12th Aug.
Andrew Shanks, Dykehead,	Picturedrome, Dykehead,	18th ,,
Michael Burns,	Picture House, Stewart Street, Carluke,	20th Sept.
William Ord Pinder,	Moveable Structure,	28th ,,

Satisfactory reports from the police having been read, the meeting agreed to renew the licenses for one year.

Entertainments in Victoria Hall, Coalburn.

The Clerk read a letter, dated 15th September, from Mr. Thomas Forsyth, the licensee of the Victoria Hall, Coalburn, intimating, in terms of his license, that the Trustees of the Victoria Hall had let the hall for three months to a Mr. Palmer.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

1st October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st October, 1913, being a meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Davie.	William Neilson.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Sym.
John Loudon.	James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.

Chairman.

In the absence of Colonel Buchanan, Mr. Sym was called to the chair.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 24th September, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Shops Act, 1912.—Reports of Inspectors for June, July, and August.

There were submitted reports (Appendices I., II., and III.) by the Inspectors under the Shops Act for the months of June, July, and August, prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

By-laws regulating registered places for public refreshment.—Communication with burghs in county.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 30th July, the Clerk stated that he had written to the Town Clerks of the several burghs in the County suggesting that a conference might be held to consider the advisability of securing uniformity as regards By-laws for Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment, and that the suggestion had been generally approved. The Clerk submitted a synopsis (Appendix IV.) of the by-laws in operation in the County and the burghs therein, and stated that a copy of it had been sent to each member of the committee.

The meeting thereafter authorised the Clerk to arrange a suitable date for the conference on the subject. *Conference to be arranged.*

There were laid before the meeting police informations against the following persons for alleged contraventions of the By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment, viz.— *Contraventions.—Proceedings to be instituted.*

(1) Agnes Haddow or Twaddle, in respect of premises situated at Cathkin Cottages, Parish of Carmunnock;

(2) Antonio Jaconelli, in respect of premises situated at Main Street, Chryston;

(3) Luys Gonella, in respect of premises situated at 55 Union Street, Larkhall;

The Clerk having explained the circumstances of each case, the meeting instructed him to transmit the informations relative to the two last-named accused to the Fiscal, with a view to proceedings being instituted.

The Clerk stated that, since the meeting of the committee, of date 30th July, three prosecutions under the by-laws had taken place, and that in each case a conviction had been obtained, the fines imposed ranging from £1 to £3. *Result of prosecutions.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following list of applicants for withdrawal of registration in respect of premises situated as under, viz.:— *Applications for withdrawal of registration.*

REGISTRATION WITHDRAWALS.

Parish.	Name.	Situation of Premises.
BLANTYRE,	Mrs. Kate Agostini	178 Glasgow Road, Blantyre.
	Margaret Hamilton,	10½ Middle Row, Blantyre.
	Alexander M'Lair,	146 Glasgow Road, Stonefield, Blantyre.
BOTHWELL,	Lewi Moochie,	Stevenston Street, New Stevenston.
	Robert Robb,	42 Clydesdale Street, New Stevenston.
CADDER,	Antonio Jaconelli,	Main Street, Chryston.
	Alexr. W. Gillies,	Cumbernauld Road, Muirhead.
CAMBUSNETHAN,	Mrs. Alice R. Bowman,	Highbury Terrace, Manse Road, Netherton, Wishaw.
	Mrs. Pugh,	28 Castlehill Feus, near Wishaw.
DALSERF,	Mrs. Robert Kennedy,	1 Montgomery Place, Larkhall.
	Mrs. Legget,	King Street, Station Road, Larkhall.
	Thomas Melvin,	100 M'Neil Street, Larkhall.
	Mrs. A. Wright,	35 Wellgate Street, Larkhall.
EAST KILBRIDE,	Margaret M. Brown,	25 Montgomery Street. East Kilbride.
	James Carroll,	8 Hunter Street, East Kilbride.
	Mrs. Robert Hannah,	6 Main Street, East Kilbride.
	Archd. Livingstone,	6 Montgomery Street, East Kilbride.
	Miss Janet J. Muir,	11 Maxwell Street, East Kilbride.
	Mrs. Margaret C. Paton,	23 Hunter Street, East Kilbride.
	James Paton,	7 Hunter Street, East Kilbride.
	Mrs. Archd. Torlay,	36 Parkhall Street, East Kilbride.
	Christina Watt,	2 Parkhall Street, East Kilbride.
GLASFORD,	Miss Jessie Turner,	2 Jackson Street, Glasford.
KESMAHAGOW,	George Cairns,	The Cross, Kirkmuirhill.
NEW MONKLAND,	Mrs. Aitken,	Glengowan, Caldercruix.
	William Muir,	Glengowan, Caldercruix.
	Bernard Rooney,	27 Eastfield, Caldercruix.
	A. Walker,	Hawarden Place, Caldercruix.
OLD MONKLAND,	Mrs. James Gallacher,	26 New Street, Calderbank.
	Mrs S. Moore,	Warks Place, Bargeddie.
	Robert Phillips,	124D New Square, Calderbank.

Withdrawals to be granted if bona fide.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to adopt the procedure previously authorised by the committee in order to make sure that the requests made were *bona fide*.

Band By-laws.—Letter from J.P. Fiscal, Hamilton.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 30th July, the Clerk stated that he had transmitted to the J.P. Fiscal, at Hamilton, several informations for alleged offence against the By-laws Regulating the Assembling or Procession of Bands, &c., and he submitted and read a letter which he had received from the Fiscal in regard to them.

Committee's decision.

In view of the opinion expressed by the Fiscal, the meeting decided that the cases referred to should not be proceeded with, but the Clerk was instructed to warn the persons concerned against a repetition of the offence.

Contravention.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting informations in respect of alleged contraventions of the by-laws against the following:—

(1) Hamilton Palace Juvenile Pipe Band;
(2) Lodge No. 32 of the Ancient Order of Free Gardeners, Blantyre;
(3) Motherwell Boys' Brigade Pipe Band; and
(4) Mossend Union Prize Band;

and, the circumstances of each case having been explained to the committee, it was decided that no proceedings be instituted.

Carfin Post Office.—Representation by ratepayers.

The Clerk reported that a representation had been made to him on behalf of ratepayers in the Carfin District with regard to the want of appropriate postal facilities there. He explained that it appeared that the local Post Office had been closed on 22nd August last, it being then understood that the Post Office Authorities intended to arrange for an office being opened in another part of the village; that nothing had yet been done in this direction, and that, consequently, great inconvenience was being occasioned to the people resident at Carfin, the nearest Post Office being at Motherwell.

Post office authorities to be communicated with.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Post Office on the subject, expressing the hope that the authorities would see their way to meet the wishes of the residenters in the village by re-establishing a local office as soon as possible.

Emigration.—Letter from Mr. Allan Barns Graham, Yr., of Limekilns.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from Mr. Allan Barns Graham, Yr., of Limekilns, on the subject of emigration, and the meeting agreed that a copy of it be appended (Appendix V.) to this minute and submitted to the County Council in order that attention might be directed to the matter.

Shops Act, 1912.—Letter from Mr. John Paterson, Carluke, re *weekly half-holiday during Christmas and New-Year weeks.*

There was laid before the meeting a letter from Mr. John Paterson, shoemaker, Carluke, of date 15th ultimo, pointing out that this year Christmas Eve and Hogmanay each fall on a Wednesday, which is the day fixed by order as the local weekly half-holiday, and inquiring:—

(1) Whether nothing could be done to allow of Thursday in each of these two weeks being substituted for Wednesday as the weekly half-holiday; and

(2) Whether it would be competent for occupiers of shops to which the Half-Holiday Order did not apply to alter their half-holiday from the Wednesday to the Thursday in each of the two weeks.

Clerk authorised to make suitable arrangements.

The Clerk having expressed his opinion in regard to the two points raised, the meeting remitted to him to take such action as he might think advisable, with a view to meeting the reasonable wishes of the shopkeepers concerned.

Contraventions of Bathing By-laws.

There were submitted to the meeting certain police informations in regard to alleged offences against the Bathing By-law, and, the circumstances of the cases having been explained, the meeting agreed that no proceedings be taken, but instructed that attention be directed to the By-laws before next bathing season.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Sub-Committee's report on remit made to them at last meeting.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed at the last meeting of the committee, Messrs. Hamilton, Macdonald, and Sym, along with the Engineer, had inspected the Public Hall, Uddingston, and the Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang, on Thursday, 25th ultimo, the result of the inspection being as follows:—

PUBLIC HALL, UDDINGSTON.

Public Hall, Uddingston.—Licence granted for one month subject to certain alterations being made.

In view of the fact that only one month's licence was applied for, the sub-committee decided to grant a licence provided that all the doors were altered to open outwards, and they further agreed to allow the apparatus to be placed in an iron box in the small room above the balcony. The sub-committee were informed by Mr. Hiddleston, writer, Hamilton, that in the event of a yearly licence being applied for, further alterations would be made to improve the exits.

RINK PICTURE THEATRE, CAMBUSLANG.

Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang.—Licence to be renewed subject to alterations being carried out.

The sub-committee were not satisfied that the exit arrangements at this theatre were adequate, and instructed the Clerk to inform Mr. Lewis, the licensee, that the licence would be continued provided the following alterations were carried out at once, viz.:—

(1) Two doors at either side to be widened by 3 feet.

(2) Two centre inner exits each to be widened by 18 inches.

(3) Two additional outer exits to be provided—one on either side—the width of the exits to be 4 feet, and the situation to be midway between the existing exits.

(4) The sliding doors at the inner exits to be removed.

Meeting approved.

The meeting approved.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Act, 1912, and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE, 1913.

SHOPS ACT, 1912.

During the month inspections were made in 23 localities, and 164 shops were visited (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Bakers,	5	Grocers,	52
Booksellers and Stationers,	9	Hairdressers,	3
Boot and Shoemakers,	9	Milliners,	2
Butchers,	5	Newsagent and Tobacconist,	1
Cabinetmakers,	2	Pawnbroker,	1
Chemist,	1	Restaurateur,	1
Confectioners,	3	Saddlers,	2
Dairy-keepers,	11	Sewing-Machine Agents,	2
Drapers,	7	Tailors,	2
Fishmongers,	3	Watchmaker,	1
Fruiterers,	4	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	7
Grain Merchant,	1	Mixed Shops,	30

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers viz. :—

"Shop assistants weekly half-holiday" notice,	9
"Employment of young persons" notice,	4
"Mixed shops" notice,	22

Two localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, when the following contraventions were detected, viz. :—

6 cases of failure to exhibit the required notices.
1 case of failure to give assistants weekly half-holiday.
2 cases of failure to close.
1 case of supplying non-exempted goods.
1 case of failure to provide seat for female assistant.

In connection with the closing order for the Parish of Cambuslang, an inspection was made after 8 p.m., when closing was found to be unanimous amongst the shopkeepers concerned. Twenty-eight visits were made to mixed shops, which were open for the sale of exempted goods, and the following contraventions were detected, viz. :—

2 cases of failure to exhibit the statutory notices.
3 cases of notices unsatisfactory or improperly exhibited.
1 case of supplying non-exempted goods.

Verbal cautions were given by the inspectors in all the above contraventions.

With regard to the complaint reported in May, as to shop assistants not getting proper intervals for meals, a re-inspection was made, when it was found the matter had been remedied.

In course of inspections, a girl under 16 years of age was found to be employed in a dairy shop for 82½ hours per week, exclusive of her weekly half-holiday. Her employer was interviewed, and promised to reduce the hours of employment so that they would not exceed 74, as prescribed by the Act.

Inspections and inquiries were made in connection with petitions from the shopkeepers in the Clydeside villages of Kirkfieldbank, Hazelbank, Crossford, and Rosebank, which are frequented as holiday resorts, desiring the suspension of the weekly half-holiday during the months of June, July, and August. The Local Authority, after consideration, made an order suspending the weekly half-holiday as craved.

BY-LAWS REGULATING PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

Two visits were made to premises in Larkhall and Newarthill, with a view to ascertaining whether the structural arrangements of the premises were in accordance with the requirements of the by-laws. One of the places belonged to a baker, who also supplied teas and other light refreshment in a side room, the partitions of which were carried to the ceiling. To overcome the difficulty he agreed to stop selling for consumption on the premises at 8 p.m., and, as the shop is closed on Sundays, he will not require to register under the by-laws. The other shop belonged to an Italian ice-cream vendor, and the premises were in accordance with the by-laws.

A communication, complaining of a saddler not observing a closed half-day for the sale of boots, &c., was received and inquired into. The complaint was found to have been justified, and the saddler is now to observe Saturday afternoon as the half-holiday, so far as the boot part of his business is concerned.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to Close, Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street Trading by Van, &c., on Half-holiday.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Section 10 (1).
Aitkenhead,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baillieston,	2	10	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Bishopbriggs,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blantyre,	1	9	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cambuslang,	1	28	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	5
Carluke,	1	13	2	...	...	1	...	1	...	4
Carnbroe,	1	3	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Clydesdale,	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2
Crossford,	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	2
Douglas,	1	29	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	16
Easterhouse,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hazelbank,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Kirkfieldbank,	1	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lambhill,	1	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Larkhall,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Newarthill,	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Stevenston,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Rosebank,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swinton,	1	1	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tannochside,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Thorniewood,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Uddingston,	1	8	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Maryston,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
TOTAL,	24	164	2	2	...	1	2	1	1	38

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Act, 1912, and Bye-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF JULY, 1913.

SHOPS ACT, 1912.

During the month inspections were made in 7 localities, and 21 shops were visited (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows:—

Bakers,	1	Grocers,	12
Dairy-keepers,	3	Mixed shops,	4
Fishmonger,	1		

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz.:—

"Shop assistants weekly half-holiday" notice,	—
"Employment of young persons" notice,	—
"Mixed shops" notice,	11

Two localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, when the following contraventions were detected, viz.:—

1 case of failure to exhibit the required notices.
1 case of notice improperly exhibited.

Verbal cautions were given to the offenders in the above contraventions.

A communication, complaining of a licensed grocer not allowing his assistant an interval for dinner in accordance with the Act, was received and enquired into. It was found that the shopkeeper complained of took advantage of the exception by the Act, whereby an assistant employed in the sale of intoxicating liquors need not be given the dinner interval before 2.30 p.m. There was, therefore, no cause for complaint.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

Localities.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops.	Contraventions.							
			Failure to close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street trading by Van, &c., on Half-holiday.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Section 10 (1).
Blackwood,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Blantyre,	1	4	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	1
Cadzow,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cambuslang,	3	10	...	...	...	...	...	..		1
Eddlewood,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Farme,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meikle Earnock,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	9	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3

J.T.W

County Offices,
Hamilton, 26th August, 1913.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Acts and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1913.

SHOPS ACTS.

During the month inspections were made in 21 localities, and 118 shops were visited (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows:—

Bakers,	3	Ironmongers,	3
Boot and Shoemakers,	8	Licensed Hawkers,	3
Butchers,	2	Printer and Stationer,	1
China Merchant,	1	Railway Bookstall,	1
Dairykeepers,	8	Stationers and Newsagents,	6
Draper.	1	Tailor and Clothier,	1
Fruiterers,	3	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	9
Grocers,	18	Mixed Shops,	49
Hotelkeeper.	1		

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz.:—

"Assistants' weekly half-holiday,"	9
"Shops' weekly half-holiday,"	13
"Employment of young persons,"	4
"Mixed shops,"	34

Eight localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, when the following contraventions were detected, viz.:—

Street trading,	3
Supplying non-exempted goods,	2
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	15
Employing a young person more than 74 hours per week,	1

Under the Closing Order for the Parish of Cambuslang, evening inspections were made in three localities, and 26 shops inspected. The following contraventions were detected, viz.:—

Failure to close,	2
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	4

Verbal cautions were given to the offenders in the above contraventions.

The case of failure to provide proper intervals for meals, in the table appended, referred to an assistant in a licensed grocer's shop who did not have an undisturbed interval for tea. The manager of the shop was interviewed by the inspectors when it was arranged that in future the assistant would be relieved so as to have a proper meal-hour.

BY-LAWS REGULATING PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

Two inspections were made to the premises of Italian ice-cream vendors in Chapelhall and High Blantyre for the purpose of ascertaining whether the structural alterations made were in compliance with the by-laws. In both cases parts of the premises had been partitioned off for "sales off the premises," after the registered premises were closed. At the Chapelhall premises it was found that proper disconnection of the two places had not been carried out; while at High Blantyre the alterations were in order. The results of inspections were reported to the County Clerk.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street Trading by Van, &c., on Half-holiday.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Section 10 (1).
Biggar (County area),	1	1	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Blantyre, - -	1	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5
Bothwell, - -	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Calderbank, - -	1	7	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Caldervale, - -	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cambuslang, -	2	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Chapelhall, - -	1	11	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Coalburn, - -	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Dalserf, - -	1	7	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	6
East Kilbride, -	1	8	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	3
Flemington, - -	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Gilbertfield, - -	1	7	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
High Blantyre, -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lesmahagow, -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maxwelltown, -	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Shawsburn, - -	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Shettleston, - .	1	5	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	4
Spittal, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Symington, - -	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Thankerton, - -	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Westburn, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	24	118	2	2	3	...	1	...	1	44

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 15th September, 1913.

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.

SYNOPSIS OF BY-LAWS IN OPERATION IN COUNTY OF LANARK AND IN BURGHS THEREIN.

	Hours of Opening and Closing.	Internal arrangement of Premises.
County of Lanark, -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Coatbridge, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing, except during the months of May, June, July, and August, when the hours are fixed at from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. Registered premises to have no communication with private dwelling-house or apartment used as private dwelling-house or living room, save as authorised by the Town Council. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Rutherglen, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a m to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Airdrie, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Hamilton,	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Motherwell,	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Wishaw, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Partitions to be no higher than 7 feet 6 inches. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Lanark, -	Week days, - 7 a.m to 10 p m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Biggar, - -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.

* These By-laws have not yet been confirmed by the Sheriff or approved by the Secretary for Scotland.

APPENDIX V.

Craigallian, Milngavie, N.B.,
16th September, 1913.

THOS. MUNRO, Esq.,
County Officer,
Hamilton.

DEAR MR. MUNRO,

EMIGRATION.

No question is at the present time more deserving of consideration than that arising out of the fact that very large numbers of the most active of our population are being induced by various considerations to leave our country in the hope of bettering their fortunes in our colonies. None would seek to retard the natural overflow of our population seeking better or more congenial employment abroad, and everyone is anxious that our colonies should, so far as is possible, find the assistance they need by imported labour from the Home Country.

The interests of our own country make it necessary, however, that its resources should not be depleted by emigration, unless there is a proved advantage to the individual, while equally it is in the interest of our colonies that any incourse of population should not be so in excess of its needs as to constitute an overstocked labour market.

I have given careful study to the whole matter, with the result that I am satisfied that great caution is necessary so as to prevent the legitimate inducements which are held out as to the favourable conditions prevailing in some of our colonies for the remunerative employment of cetrain classes of artisans, labourers, &c., being understood as implying that emigration of any class to any of our colonies necessarily means a betterment of conditions.

Already experience has shown in too many cases that optimistic pictures of the success that is to follow on emigration have proved to be far from the reality, and disappointment and misery have followed. Yet the tide of emigration from our shores goes on.

I am conversant in particular with the conditions of Australia, and I say without hesitation that due regard is not paid to the conditions that prevail in that colony. In the glowing accounts that appear, no regard is in particular paid to the variableness of its climate. The pictures are drawn from what prevails in good seasons, and nothing is said of the dire condition of the country in a bad season. The terrible Australian drought of a few years ago must have reflected disastrously on the conditions of employment, and any such recurrence will bring with it much misery and distress.

It is not to be expected that the class who form the great bulk of the emigrants can appreciate a contingency such as this, as they naturally are led away by the rosy accounts of the advantages of service in the colonies which reach them in attractive form.

It seems, therefore, fitting that Public Authorities should concern themselves in the matter, not, as I have already indicated, with the object of preventing emigration, but in order that it may be regulated so as to secure that none shall leave our own country, which needs now more than at any time, and offers improved advantages for the services of its people, unless it can be clearly shown that its advantages to the individual are greater in our colonies than at home.

County and Town Councils can do much by a mere ventilation of the subject, and they could do more by urging that the Government should regularly issue authoritative statements of the conditions prevailing in our colonies and in other countries favoured by emigrants. Such statements would be a guide that would, to a large extent, prevent the disappointments and hardships that are at present too common, and which will increase if nothing is done to check the present tendency on the part of some of the best elements of our population to seek their fortunes abroad.

I take the liberty of enclosing copies of a number of letters I have written to prominent public men on this question, and I would esteem it a favour if you would bring the matter under the notice of your Council.

Might I also suggest that it would form a useful basis of discussion by the Association of County Councils?

I am,

Yours, &c.,

(Sgd.) ALLAN BARNS GRAHAM.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING ORDERS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 28th May, 1913, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark on Electric Lighting Orders. 28th May, 1913.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON. | JAMES PRENTICE.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Mr. William Neilson was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 30th October, 1912, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting communications, of date 22nd current, which he had received from the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company, intimating that, since the date of last meeting of the committee, new contracts had been obtained in the following districts, involving approximately the sums hereafter mentioned, together with the estimated annual revenue, viz.:— *Communications from Clyde Valley Company regarding new contracts.*

(1) Uddingston District, at a cost of £60, the estimated annual revenue being £29.

(2) Bellshill District, at a cost of £200, the estimated annual revenue being £100.

(3) Bothwell District, at a cost of £340, the estimated annual revenue being £45.

The Clerk stated that the last named contract included the extension to Dr. Wilson's house—Hay Lodge, Bothwell—which was reported to last meeting and agreed to. He, however, stated that the extension of cables to Dr. Wilson's house was originally estimated at £75, and the revenue at £10 per annum, but that the total cost of the extension was £124 11s. 5d.

The Clerk reported that in their communication the Clyde Valley Company stated that in Bothwell there were good prospects of additional consumers on the cable routes with a minimum further capital outlay.

The meeting approved of the several extensions above stated.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON FIRE BRIGADES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 28th May, 1913, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigade Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 28th May, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.	Robert Lambie.
J. Raeside Auld.	William M. Marshall.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Neilson.
James Cameron.	Alexander Pillans.
James H. Fenton.	Robert Sharp.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	John Todd.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Firemaster.

Mr. Fenton, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th January, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Firemaster submitted his Report, of date 24th current, and Record of Fires attended by the Brigade during the twenty-one weeks ending 26th May, 1913 (Appendix), which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee. — *Report by Firemaster and Record of Fires.*

The meeting agreed to the suggestion of the Firemaster as to the provision of first-aid appliances at Carluke and Strathaven, and authorised him to purchase two light hand-carts, at a cost of £12 12s. each. — *Provision of first-aid appliances at Carluke and Strathaven.*

With reference to the proposed transference of the fire tender from Cambuslang to Bishopbriggs, the Clerk directed the attention of the meeting to the information contained in the Chief Constable's report regarding the proposal of the Burgh of Rutherglen to purchase a motor fire engine. The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the transference of the fire tender to Bishopbriggs should be delayed, and, meantime, appointed the following sub-committee to confer with the Town Council of Rutherglen with a view to — *Proposed transference of fire tender from Cambuslang to Bishopbriggs.*

an arrangement being come to on the lines indicated in the Firemaster's Report, viz.—

James H. Fenton. William Neilson.
John Todd.

Communication from Messrs. A. Robertson & Sons, Ltd.

It was also remitted to the above sub-committee to confer with Messrs. Andrew Robertson & Sons, Limited, with regard to their communication, a copy of which is appended to the Firemaster's Report.

Letter from Clerk to Mossbank Industrial School re alleged insufficiency of fire brigade services in Millerston District.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 25th April last, which had been received from the Clerk to the Mossbank Industrial School, Millerston, directing attention to the alleged want of adequate provision for fire brigade services in the Millerston district; inquiring whether more efficient means of dealing with an outbreak of fire at the Institution could be arranged for, and whether the Directors would be entitled to call in the services of the Glasgow Fire Brigade.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to reply that the committee consider that the arrangements made to cope with outbreaks of fire in the district in question were adequate to meet the requirements, but that the existing arrangements would be further improved with the establishment of a fire station at Bishopbriggs, which was now in contemplation, and further that, in the event of the Directors of the School calling in the services of the Glasgow Fire Brigade, the expense would require to be borne by the Directors themselves.

Proposed arrangement with Town-Clerk of Hamilton.

There was laid before the meeting a communication, of date 12th February last, from the Town-Clerk of Hamilton, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"BURGH OF HAMILTON.

"The Town House,
"Hamilton, 12th February, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"FIRE BRIGADES.

"I submitted to the Town Council your letter of 31st ultimo, and they were pleased to hear that your committee were prepared to negotiate for the granting of the use of their brigade to the Burgh. The remit to the sub-committee was continued, and I will be pleased to arrange with you for another meeting to discuss the matter.

"I was also instructed to make a temporary arrangement with you, whereby the County Fire Brigade could be called in any emergency, and you would hold this letter as a standing guarantee for the payment of the expenses where the brigade was called at any time by the Provost, Chief Constable, the Burgh Firemaster, or myself. I will be pleased to hear from you that you agree to this temporary arrangement, pending negotiations.

"Yours truly,

(Signed) "P. M. KIRKPATRICK,
Town-Clerk.

The Clerk stated that, after consulting with the Firemaster, he had informed the Town-Clerk that instructions had been given to the Bellshill and Larkhall detachments to attend any call received from the Burgh, on the understanding contained in his letter.

Suggested joint arrangement with Burghs of Hamilton and Wishaw.

The Clerk further reported the result of meetings which the Chairman, the Firemaster, and he had had with representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton and Wishaw with regard to the suggested joint arrangement as between the County and the Burghs.

The Clerk stated that, so far as regards the Burgh of Hamilton, the Town Council had not yet come to a final determination in the matter, and he submitted a communication, of date 16th April last, from the Town Council of Wishaw, intimating that they had decided not to accept the offer of the County Council, but had resolved to purchase a motor hose carriage, which they considered would be more efficient and less expensive than the scheme suggested by the County Council.

Telephonic communication between Strathaven and Hamilton.

Under reference to the minutes of previous meetings regarding the proposed establishment of telephonic communication between Strathaven and Hamilton, *via* Stonehouse, the Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the General Post Office, Edinburgh, which was as follows, viz.:—

"No. 2427.

"General Post Office,
"Edinburgh, 28th April, 1913.

"SIR,

"With reference to your recent interview with the District Manager of Telephones and your inquiry regarding the guarantee required for the erection of a telephone circuit between Strathaven and Hamilton, *via* Stonehouse, I beg leave to inform you that the department is not in a position to provide circuits on such terms, unless there is a prospect of the line becoming self-supporting within a period of seven years. This support depends solely on the traffic, and, as already stated, the inquiries made have shown that the provision of the circuit would not be justified.

"The Department is anxious to provide telephone facilities wherever they are warranted at the present scale of revenue and expenditure, and the case of Strathaven will be kept under observation in order that the service may be improved as soon as the circumstances warrant the expenditure involved. In the meantime, I regret to say, the matter cannot be proceeded with.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "W. G. KIRKWOOD,
Secretary.

Telephones.

With reference to the general scheme of telephones suggested in the Firemaster's communication, which is contained in the minutes of the Sub-Committee on Telephones, of date 22nd January, the Clerk reported the result of a meeting which he and the Firemaster recently had with a representative of the Post Office.

The meeting agreed to continue the whole matter for further consideration.

Removal of Stonehouse fire appliances to Larkhall.

The meeting authorised the Firemaster to remove to Larkhall the fire appliances at Stonehouse, which were purchased by the County Council from the Local Committee.

Settlement of claim by Mr. Barrie for damage to polo cart.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Barrie's claim for damages alleged to have been caused to his polo cart by the Lanark Fire Brigade had now been settled, with the approval of the Insurance Company, for a sum of £3.

Cambuslang Police and Fire Station.—Final measurements and accounts.

There was submitted to the meeting a statement by the Architect, showing the total cost of the Fire Station and Police Station at Cambuslang, the cost as allocated between the Fire and Police Station being as follows, viz.:—

(1) Fire Station, ...	£2,000	0	0
(2) Police Station, ...	7,076	0	2

There were also submitted the Architect's and Measurer's accounts in connection therewith, allocated in the above proportions, the Architect's fee for the Fire Station being £326 1s., and the Measurer's fee £189 19s. 4d., which the committee passed for payment.

Architect's account.

There was also submitted an account from the Architect for fees in connection with the preparation of drawings, specifications, &c., in connection with the Bellshill, Lanark, and Larkhall Stations, amounting in all to £6 6s., which the committee passed for payment.

Inspection of Cambuslang Fire Station.

It was remitted to the Clerk to arrange for an inspection of the Cambuslang Fire Station by the members of this committee on a suitable date.

APPENDIX I.

LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL FIRE BRIGADE.

Firemaster's Office,
Hamilton, 24th May, 1913.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit a statement showing the fires that have occurred since your last meeting. Statement of fires.

As there appears to be a strong feeling in Carluke that first-aid fire appliances should be kept in the village, I suggest that a light hand-cart with cycle wheels might be obtained and housed at the police station. Sub-Stations, Carluke and Strathaven.

The same kind of cart and fire appliances might be obtained for Strathaven. I have made inquiries as to the cost of the kind of hand-cart I suggest, and the St. Andrew's Ambulance Society, who specialise in this class of vehicle, offer to make them at about £12 12s. each.

At a meeting of the Committee in October, it was agreed that when the new police and fire station was built in Bishopbriggs, the fire tender should be transferred from Cambuslang to Bishopbriggs, the engine remaining at Cambuslang. Since then the burgh of Rutherglen have had under consideration the question of obtaining a motor fire engine. I think the burgh should be asked if they will enter into an agreement with the county to attend fires within a radius of, say, six miles of the burgh, in consideration of an annual payment from the county, together with the actual cost for wages, &c., at each fire. Details as to safeguarding the burgh during the absence of the fire engine could be arranged. If an arrangement is come to with the burgh I suggest that the fire engine now at Cambuslang should be transferred to Bishopbriggs, the tender remaining at Cambuslang. Bishopbriggs.

The attached letter has been received from Mr. J. Robertson, of Messrs. Andrew Robertson & Son, Limited, whose works are situated in the county area just outside Rutherglen Burgh. Andrew Robertson & Son, Limited, Rutherglen.

I have the honour to be,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain*,
Firemaster.

To the CHAIRMAN and MEMBERS,
FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE.

APPENDIX.

"Clyde Bank Works,
"Dalmarnock Bridge,
"Rutherglen, 17th May, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"Up till now we had a guarantee lodged with the Glasgow Fire Brigade, who had agreed to come out here in the event of a fire. They now tell us that we will have to depend upon Cambuslang in any emergency, unless the county make some arrangement with them. We have been insured for 70 years, and never have had occasion for the services of a fire brigade. We may say that we do all we can to keep things right, but if a fire occurred in our place it would be a very serious matter. Inspector Ross from Cambuslang has been here to see the place, and will likely report to you. We shall be very glad if you take the matter up at once.

"And oblige,

"Yours respectfully,

"ANDREW ROBERTSON & SON, LIMITED,
JOHN ROBERTSON, *Director.*"

RECORD OF FIRES ATTENDED BY THE BRIGADE FOR PERIOD

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
1	Cambuslang,	Jan. 1, 9.40 p.m.,	Police 3,	1¼ miles,	10 min. from call,	Villa in Brownside Road, Cambuslang, occupied by James Weir,	Overheated hearth
2	Bellshill, -	Jan. 3, 3.21 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilian 1,	3½ miles,	9 min. from call,	Hay in shed at Birkenshaw Farm, Nackerty, occupied by William Stewart, farmer,	Unknown.
3	Cambuslang,	Jan. 15, 12.7 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	1 mile,	8 min. from call,	Villa in Stewarton Drive, Cambuslang, occupied by James Jamieson,	Overheated hearth
4	Bellshill, -	Jan. 18, 5.53 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 4,	3 miles,	10 min. from call,	Villa in Greenrigg Street, Uddingston, occupied by Mrs. Lamonby,	Dropped light,
5	Larkhall, -	Jan. 21, 11.3 a.m.,	Police 8,	3 miles,	18 min. from call,	Hay and corn stacks in stackyard at Cornsilloch Farm, Robert Henderson's,	Spark from an engine,
6	Cambuslang,	Jan. 25, 1.30 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	¼ mile,	5 min. from call,	Dwelling-house, 2 Clydeford Road, Cambuslang, occupied by James Nugent, miner,	Overheated hearth
7	Cambuslang,	Feb. 14, 4.29 p.m.,	Police 5,	8 miles,	21 min. from call,	Villa occupied and owned by Hugh Cuthbertson, clerk, Stuart Drive, Bishopbriggs,	Chimney on fire,
8	Bellshill, -	Feb. 16, 9.11 a.m.,	Police 4, Civilian 1,	2½ miles,	10 min. from call,	Five-ton corn stack owned by Andrew Clark, dairyman, Bankfoot Dairy, Uddingston,	Unknown.
9	Larkhall, -	Feb. 17, 6.20 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 5,	7 miles,	20 min. from call,	Motor Garage in Station Road, Strathaven, owned by John Morrison, hirer,	Petrol ignited from lamp,
10	[1]Lanark, -	Feb. 19, 5 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 3,	9 miles,	35 min. from call,	...	...
11	Bellshill, -	Feb. 20, 10.57 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 4,	9 miles,	23 min. from call,	U.F. Church, Caldercruix, belonging to the Church Managers,	Overheated flue,
12	[2]Cambuslang,	Feb. 24, 5.50 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	¼ mile,	5 min. from call,	...	...
13	[3]Cambuslang,	Feb. 24, 10.50 p.m.,	Police 4,	1 mile,	10 min. from call,	...	...
14	[4]Larkhall, -	Feb. 25, 5.19 p.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 2,	¼ mile,	5 min. from call,	...	...

[1] Chimney of a dwelling-house in Quality Row, Wilsontown, caught fire and burned fiercely for over half-an-hour. The
[2] Chimney of a dwelling-house at 71 Main Street, Cambuslang, on fire, and smoke was seen issuing from under slates. Is
[3] An escape of gas took place in the house of Philip Rielly, Kirkhill, Cambuslang, and by some unexplained cause got ignited
[4] The chimney of a house in Main Street, Larkhall, caught fire and burned for half-an-hour, when the occupant, John

FIRE BRIGADE.

OF TWENTY-ONE WEEKS ENDING 26TH MAY, 1913.

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	REMARKS.
£1,050	£10	Chemical extinguishers.	...	...	...	10 30 p.m.	
300	180	Water from hydrant,	One,	Six,	Yes,	12 noon	
650	5	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	1.7 a.m.	
400	15	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	6.30 p.m.	
650	65	Water pumped from a pond,	...	Five,	...	5.25 p.m.	
1,500	53	Water from hydrant led to 1st aid tank,	One,	Two,	Yes,	2.30 p.m.	
700	4	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	6.37 p.m.	
20	20	Water from hydrant,	One	Seventeen,	Yes,	midnight.	
1,100	950	Water from hydrant,	One,	Four,	Yes,	8.50 a.m.	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2,000	1,300	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Nine	Yes,	2.20 a.m.	
...	...	...	...	...		...	
...	...	...	...	...		...	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

...ner got alarmed and wired for the brigade. The engine was held up at a railway level crossing, hence the delay in arrival.
...d hose turned on and damped out chimney fire. No damage was done.
...elly fearing damage to the house, called the brigade, who plugged gas pipe. No damage done.
...Naught, a miner, called the brigade, who put out the fire in chimney. No damage to property.

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
15	Cambuslang,	Feb. 25, 7.43 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 3,	1 mile,	5 min. from call,	Bedding in villa occupied by George Burns in Whitefield Avenue, Cambuslang,	Carelessness with lighted taper,
16	Bellshill,	Feb. 28, 1.48 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	5 miles,	15 min. from call,	Cottage in Cleland Village occupied by Edward Curran, a miner,	Large fire and defective chimney,
17	[1]Cambuslang,	Mar 1, 2.50 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	10 miles,	27 min. from call,	...	...
18	Cambuslang,	Mar. 1, 9.28 p.m.,	Police 3, Civilians 3,	250 yards,	5 min. from call,	Wooden stable in Mansion Street, belonging to John Burns, also a horse in the stable,	Dropped burning match,
19	Larkhall, -	Mar. 2, 7.35 a.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 4,	7 miles,	20 min. from call,	Boot Shop belonging to Thos. Ritchie in Main Street, Strathaven,	Unknown,
20	Bellshill, -	Mar. 5, 12.50 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilian 1,	12 miles,	33 min. from call,	Dwelling-houses at Stane Colliery, Shotts, owned by the N.B. Railway Co.	Spark from a locomotive engine,
21	Larkhall, -	Mar. 6, 12.40 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 5.	9½ miles,	25 min. from call,	Gas generating house at Allanton House, Newmains, tenanted by Mrs. Wilson,	Spark from a burning ash-bin
22	Cambuslang,	Mar. 11, 6.3 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 3,	¼ mile,	5 min. from call,	Dwelling-house in tenement at 87 Main Street, Cambuslang, and occupied by David Cherry,	Boiling fat got ignited,
23	Bellshill, -	Mar. 19, 2.48 a.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 4,	8 miles,	32 min. from call,	Grocery shop and dwelling-house in Glenmavis, occupied by James M'Morran,	Burning cinder falling from grate,
24	Cambuslang,	Mar. 24, 11.46 a.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 2,	6½ miles,	19 min. from call,	Two corn-stacks at Westerhouse Farm, Baillieston,	Children with matches,
25	Larkhall, -	Mar. 28, 9 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 4,	200 yards,	5 min. from call,	Dwelling-house of Thos. Watson, miner, 8 M'Neil Street, Larkhall,	Striking match in accumulated gas,
26	[2]Larkhall, -	Mar. 31, 7.9 p.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 4,	6 miles,	19 min. from call,	...	...
27	Bellshill, -	April 6, 1.44 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 4,	2 miles,	8 min. from call.	Thatched roof of dwelling-house at 83 Main Street, Holytown, occupied by Robert Gall,	Spark from chimney,
28	Bellshill, -	April 6, 3.30 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 4,	10 miles,	28 min. from call,	Haystack at Low Mains Farm, E. Kilbride, occupied by John Hamilton,	Unknown,
29	Cambuslang,	April 9, 8.26 a.m.,	Police 6,	1½ miles,	7 min. from call,	Roof of Flock Factory at Eastfield, occupied by G. & A. Gunn,	Overheated iron chimney,
30	Cambuslang,	April 9, 12.40 p.m.,	Police 4,	200 yards,	Cancelled before leaving Station,	Window curtains and blind in house of Michael Dunning, miner, 20 Church Street, Cambuslang,	Burning brush got in contact,

[1] A taxi-cab was being driven along the public road at Lambhill, when the driver discovered the cal
[2] The chimney of a room in Brackston House, Stonehouse, took fire and smoke was seen issuing fron

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	Remarks.
£800	£25	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	8.8 p.m.	
650	55	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Three,	Yes,	3.40 a.m.	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
100	47	Water from street hydrant,	Two,	Four,	Yes,	10.45 p.m.	
1,250	650	Water from street hydrant,	Two,	Five,	Yes,	9.50 a.m.	Local fire appliances had the fire well in hand before the arrival of brigade.
300	100	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Fifteen,	Yes,	4.20 p.m.	
350	100	Water pumped from a pond,	...	Fourteen,	...	6.20 a.m.	
500	7s. 6d.	Buckets of water and trampling on burning curtains.	...	...	...	6.15 p.m.	
350	330	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Four,	Yes,	4.55 a.m.	
200	20	Water pumped from old quarry,	...	Seven,	...	2.45 p.m.	
250	...	Turning gas off at meter,	...	...	...	9.15 p.m.	
...	...	...	...	...	...	8.50 p.m.	
150	10s.	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	2.3 p.m.	
36	36	Water pumped from burn,	...	Twelve,	...	7.15 p.m.	
1,500	15	Water from hydrant,	One,	One,	Yes,	9.20 a.m.	
2	2	Pulled down curtains into kitchen sink,	...	...	...	did not leave.	

fire. He had the brigade called, but before arrival the cab was totally destroyed.
der the slates. On the firemen inspecting, no damage was done. The chimney burned out.

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31	Bellshill, -	April 14th, 3.13 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilian 1,	2½ miles,	11 min. from call,	Roof of dwelling-house, 46 Kyle Park, Uddingston, occupied by Thomas Downs,	Spark from a chimney,
32	Larkhall, -	April 15th, 8.8 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 2,	¼ mile,	6 min. from call,	Chimney of house occupied by John M'Luckie, Colliery Manager, Machan, Larkhall,	Methylated spirit in fire,
33	Larkhall, -	April 15th, 9.16 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 3,	8½ miles,	22 min. from call,	Joisting in room of Hotel at Lesmahagow, occupied by Henry Henderson,	End of joist built into chimney,
34	Cambuslang	April 16th, 10.22 a.m.	Police 5,	1½ miles,	6 min. from call,	Drying Store at Ballochmill Flock Works, G. & A. Gunn's, Eastfield, Rutherglen,	Overheated stove,
35	Cambuslang	April 19th, 12.35 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilian 1,	300 yards,	4 min. from call,	Floor of dwelling-house at 1 Church Street, occupied by John Jackson, miner,	Hot cinders under floor,
36	Cambuslang,	April 20th, 11.39 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 2,	8 miles,	21 min. from call,	Drying Store in Gartloch Distillery,	Fused electric wires,
37	Cambuslang,	April 26th, 10.10 p.m.,	Police 3, Civilians 3	2 miles,	5 min. from call,	Fish, Oil, and Guano Work, Downiebrae Road; Jas. M. Davidson, Downiebrae Road,	Sparks from hot ash-bing,
38	Lanark, -	April 27th, 2 p.m.,	Police 1,	¾ mile,	10 min. from call,	Bellefield Sanatorium; Jas. Allan, M.D.,	Wood skirting caught fire in bedroom,
39	Larkhall, -	May 10th, 3 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilialns 5,	250 yards,	6 min. from call,	Tailor's Shop; Jos. Brown, Noonday Cottage, Blackwood,	Ashes from stove igniting flooring,
40	Bellshill, -	May 16th, 11.5 a.m.,	Police 6,	10 miles,	30 min. from call,	Stack of Straw and Stack of Hay; Isaac Wyper, Farmer, Ladyland Farm, Hartwood,	Boy playing with matches,
41	Cambuslang,	May 16th, 3.5 p.m.,	Police 6, Civilian 1,	3 miles,	7 min. from call,	Signal Cabin, Clydebridge Works, Caledonian Ry. Co., 302 Buchanan St., Glasgow,	Cigarette end dropped in lamp store,
42	Bellshill. -	May 17th, 9 a.m.,	Police 6, Civilian 1,	3 miles.	14 min. from call,	Ry.-sleeper fence; George Smith, Hattonhill Farm, Carfin,	Spark from passing engine,
43	Bellshill, -	May 17th, 10.24 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	8 miles,	23 min. from call.	Haulage enginehouse; Peter Cairns, Meadowhead Colliery, Whitrigg,	Spark from lamp igniting oily waste,
44	Larkhall. -	May 20th. 11.40 a.m.,	Police 6, Civilian 1,	...	6 min. from call,	Dwelling-house; Robert Stirrat, 26 Church St., Larkhall,	Flames from fireplace catching curtains,

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£500	£10	Pails of water,	...	...	...	4.5 p.m.,	
1,200	nil,	Allowed chimney to burn out,	...	...	...	8.20 p.m.,	
2,000	20	Cutting out burning part,	...	...	...	11.10 p.m.	
1,500	10	Water from hydrant,	Two,	Two,	Yes,	11 a.m.	
100	2	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	12.55 p.m.,	
2,500	550	Water pumped from pond,	...	Five,	...	3.35 a.m.	
2,000	120	Water from hydrant,	One,	Four,	Yes,	11.20 p.m.,	
1,000	5	Pails of water,	...	...	...	3 p.m.,	
1,450	£7 10s.	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes,	3.50 a.m.,	
39	39	Water pumped from burn,	...	Three,	Fair,	1 p.m.	
200	200	Burned itself out,	...	...	...	5.45 p.m.	No water available.
10	2	Water from hydrant,	One,	Four,	Fair,	10 a.m.	
...	20	Pails of water,	...	...	...	11.30 p.m.	
1,700	12	Pails of water,	....	...	...	11.52 a.m.	

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain,*
Firemaster.

COMMITTEE ON FIRE BRIGADES.

3rd September, 1913. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 3rd September, 1913, being a meeting of the Fire Brigade Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.	Robert Lambie.
James Cameron.	William M. Marshall.
William Davie.	William Neilson,
James H. Fenton.	Robert Sharp.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
Alexander Hamilton.	John Todd.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Firemaster.

Chairman. Mr. Fenton, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee of date 28th May, 1913, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted were approved of and signed.

Telephones. The Clerk read the following letter which he had received from the Post Office Telephone Department, regarding the general scheme of telephones suggested in the Firemaster's report, which was submitted to the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Telephones on 22nd January last, viz:—

"District Office for Scotland, South West,
"8 Fitzroy Place, Sauchiehall Street,
"Glasgow, 28th May, 1913.

"Ref. C.M.

"Thomas Munro, Esq.,
"County Clerk, Hamilton.

"Sir,

"POST OFFICE TELEPHONES.

"Referring to my conversation with you at the Central Hotel, Glasgow, regarding fire alarm facilities in the district under your Firemaster's jurisdiction, I have now been able to make enquiries in the following cases, and I submit hereto details for your consideration. The other positions referred to in your letter are under consideration, but in the meantime I shall be glad of your remarks on those referred to herein, and what steps you desire the Department to take to provide the necessary telephone service. On hearing from you I shall go into the question of the other positions which are in districts where exceptional expenditure will be involved to supply telephones.

"Stepps and Carmunnock.—The District Manager, Glasgow, will have supplied information.

"Glenboig.—Nearest Exchange, Coatbridge, 2½ miles; rental, £13 10s. Proposal to open call office has been submitted.

"Greengairs.—No telephone facilities in neighbourhood. Extension from Longriggend Hospital, £12 5s. per annum.

"Longriggend.—Hospital line ordered.

"Caldercruix.—Line ordered for proposed exchange,

"Plains.—See my letter of 26th instant.

"Calderbank.—Nearest Exchange. Airdrie; rental, £12 5s.

"Chapelhall.—Extension from Caldercruix; £9 16s.

"Salsburgh.—Nearest Exchange, Holytown; rental, £23 10s. No call office proposal.

"Nackerty.—To Uddingston Exchange: rental, £6.

"Glassford.—Call office proposal submitted. 2½ miles from Strathaven; rental, £12 5s.

"Chapelton.—No call office proposal. Rental to Strathaven, £14 15s.

"Law.—Nearest Exchange, Carluke; rental, £14 10s.

"Rosebank, Forth, and Carnwath.—Exceptionally heavy rental to provide lines. No call office proposals.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) "THOMAS JOWETT,
"*Contract Manager.*"

As relative to the above letter, the Clerk reported that the Standing Joint Committee had recently approved of the installation of a telephone in Plains Police Station, and it was expected that a connection would be made on an early date.

The meeting agreed to delay further consideration of the letter from the Post Office Telephone Department until they had before them a report by the Firemaster on the proposals now submitted.

Report by Firemaster and record of fires.

The Firemaster submitted his report and a record of the fires attended by the brigade during the thirteen weeks ending 23rd August, 1913 (Appendix) which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee.

Sub-station at Strathaven.

The meeting approved of the plan of the proposed new shed at Strathaven for the hose cart, &c., and having considered the tenders submitted by the Firemaster, instructed the acceptance of the offer of Mr. A. Baxter, Strathaven, amounting to £26.

Size of water pipes and hydrants.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to communicate with the water authorities regarding the suggestion of the Firemaster as to the size of water pipes and hydrants used within the County.

Suggestion by Firemaster as to facilitating movement of fire-engines on soft ground.

The Firemaster was authorised to purchase from Messrs. Halley's Industrial Motors Limited, at a cost of £10, a pair of drums to be fixed on to the driving wheels of one of the fire-engines, as explained in his report.

Allowance to Firemaster.

The meeting agreed that in the event of the Firemaster providing himself with a motor car he should receive an allowance of £3 per month in lieu of hires, and that his orderly, who is to act as chauffeur, should be paid the ordinary fireman's pay of 2s. per week, and fire pay when he is out at fires with the Firemaster between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 a.m.

Claim for damages by Mr. Somerville, Strathaven.

The Firemaster submitted a letter from Mr. J. M. Milne, Strathaven, making a claim on behalf of Mr. William Somerville, Baker, Strathaven, amounting to £6 4s., for damage to his van, and bread destroyed, through his horse taking fright at the Cambuslang fire-engine near East Kilbride, on 18th August last.

A report by the police regarding the circumstances having been read, the meeting instructed the Clerk to deny liability.

Arrangement with Burgh of Airdrie.

There was submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Airdrie, stating that he had been instructed by his Fire and Lighting Committee to ascertain if the County Council would be agreeable that the County Fire Brigade should, if called upon, attend any serious outbreak of fire within the Burgh of Airdrie, and if so, on what terms.

The Clerk reported that he had replied that the letter would be submitted to the first meeting of this committee, but that should the Town Council meantime require the services of the brigade it would be available on a call direct to the Fire Station at Bellshill, the terms being, actual cost plus 50 per cent., but that these terms might fall to be altered.

The meeting approved and agreed that the brigade should be available to the Burgh of Airdrie on the terms stated by the Clerk, but that the committee reserved power to revise these terms whenever they should think it expedient to do so.

Further communication from Burgh of Wishaw.

The following letter from the Town-Clerk of Wishaw was read to the meeting, viz.:—

"Town-Clerk's Office,
"Wishaw, 1st September, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"FIRE BRIGADE.

"Referring to our recent correspondence, I have been asked by my Fire Brigade Committee to again re-open this matter. They desire to know, if possible, by the end of this week, what are the lowest terms upon which the County Council will provide the Burgh of Wishaw with Fire Brigade facilities. They desire that your terms should be stated by way of slump sum per annum or so much per fire.

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "A. G. STEWART,
"*Town-Clerk.*"

The committee instructed the clerk to reply to the Town-Clerk of Wishaw that they were prepared meantime to provide the Burgh with Fire Brigade facilities on the same conditions as apply in the case of other Burghs in the County, *i.e.*, actual cost plus 50 per cent., and to suggest as an alternative proposal that the Town Council should pay annually a sum equivalent to what the rate leviable in the County for the time being would raise if levied within the Burgh a condition being that the County Council establish a fully equipped fire brigade station within or in the immediate neighbourhood of the Burgh.

The meeting appointed the Chairman, the Firemaster, and the Clerk to meet with the Town Council of Wishaw, should the Town Council wish to discuss the matter further.

APPENDIX.

LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL FIRE BRIGADES.

Firemaster's Office,
Hamilton, 29th August, 1913.

GENTLEMEN,

New detachment formed.

I beg to inform you that a Fire-Brigade Detachment has now been formed at Carluke, consisting of one sergeant, three constables, and two civilians—total, six men. The appliances formerly used by the village brigade have been taken over from the Parish Council, and the detachment is quite capable of carrying out all ordinary fire duties.

Strathaven detachment.

In connection with the formation of a detachment at Strathaven, Mr. Lochhead, the County Architect, has prepared specifications of works required to be done in connection with the provision of a shed for housing a hand-barrow and other fire appliances, and I beg to submit two tenders for your consideration.

Water supply.

It is very desirable that some arrangement should be come to with regard to the size of pipes laid in the County. In many cases only 3-inch pipes are laid, and these are of very little service to the Fire Brigade. In my opinion, 4 inches is the smallest pipe that should be used. At several fires recently great delay was caused by engines, in the first instance, being taken with fire hose to hydrants on 3-inch pipes close to the fire; the engines afterwards had to be taken to some distant hydrant, situated on the larger pipes, in order to get an adequate supply of water.

Wherever there is a choice in the size of pipes, I strongly urge that hydrants should be placed upon the larger in preference to the smaller sizes, as I have found in some places where the pipes are old that the flow is quite insufficient—owing, I understand, to incrustation or corrosion. In many cases such hydrants are next to useless for fire-extinguishing purposes, even with the assistance of the engines.

Fire-engines in soft ground.

On many occasions I have had great difficulty in extricating fire-engines from soft ground. In my opinion, by fixing drums to the driving wheels the engines might be pulled out by their own power, by using ropes fixed to a tree, or some form of anchor, and passed round the drum. I submit a drawing made by Messrs. Halley's Industrial Motors, Ltd., of my idea, and also a letter from the same firm on the subject.

Allowance to Firemaster and his orderly.

In the event of my providing myself with a motor car, I shall be glad to know if you will give me an allowance. I think this would be more satisfactory than by charging for mileage run. My hires since the Fire Brigade started have amounted approximately to £93, or an average of £3 per month. With your approval, I think my orderly, who will act as chauffeur, should receive an ordinary fireman's pay of 2s. per week and fire-pay when he is out at fires with me between 6 p.m. and 8 a.m.

Claim for damages.

I beg to hand in a letter, dated 26th August, 1913, from Mr. James M. Milne, Union Bank, Strathaven. Along with that letter I submit a report by the sergeant in charge of the fire-engine on the occasion referred to.

Return of fires attended.

I beg to hand in a Table showing the number of fires attended by the Brigade during the thirteen weeks ending 23rd August, 1913.

I have the honour to be,
GENTLEMEN,
Your obedient Servant,
H. J. DESPARD, *Captain*,
Firemaster.

THE CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS,
FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE,
LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL.

RECORD OF FIRES ATTENDED BY THE BRIGADE FOR PERIOD

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier	Supposed Cause of Fire.
1	Larkhall,	May 27th, 4.35 p.m.	Police 4, Civilian 1,	5 miles,	15 min. from cal ,	Shed at Eddlewood Colliery, owned by John Watson, Ltd.,	Unknown,
2	Bellshill,	May 31st. 12.44 p.m.	Police 7, Civilian 1,	11 miles,	36 min. from call,	Stack of straw at Muirend Farm, Annathill, occupied by William Black, farmer,	Child with matches,
3	Cambuslang,	June 1st, 1.50 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	250 yds..	5 min. from call,	Wooden henhouse, owned by Thomas M'Ardle, at Sauchiebog, Cambuslang,	Children with matches.
4	Lanark,	June 2nd, 3.20 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	9½ miles,	20 min. from call,	Roof of dwelling-house in Symington, occupied by William Prentice,	Spark from chimney on fire,
5	Cambuslang,	June 6th, 3.23 p.m.	Police 7,	8 miles,	20 min. from call,	Farm barn and other buildings, straw, &c., at Brackenbrae Farm, Bishopbriggs,	Spark from traction engine,
6	Lanark,	June 6th, 3.50 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 3,	600 yds.,	5 min. from call,	House in Dovecot Lane, Lanark, occupied by Robt. Welsh, fish hawker,	Wilful,
7	Cambuslang,	June 9th, 9.27 a.m.	Police 7, Civilian 1,	7 miles,	20 min. from call,	Kitchen and offices attached to Kirkwood House, and occupied by John Spencer,	Overheating,
8	Bellshill,	June 14th, 8.10 a.m.	Police 6, Civilian 1,	2½ miles,	10 min. from call,	The chimney of a dwelling-house caught fire, called the Brigade. No damage to property,	
9	Bellshill,	June 22nd, 1.55 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 4,	¼ mile,	5 min. from call,	Bakehouse at 517 Main Street, Mossend, occupied by Richard W. Robb.	Cinders from oven fire,
10	Bellshill,	June 23rd, 12.48 a.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	2½ miles,	11 min. from call,	Bakehouse at Uddingston Cross, occupied by Thomas Tannock.	Cinders from oven fire.
11	Lanark,	July 2nd, 3.0 p.m.	Police 4, Civilian 1	2¼ miles,	15 min. from call,	Straw stacks at Cartland Mains, the property of Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart,	Unknown,
12	Bellshill,	July 4th, 8.15 p.m.	Police 5, Civilian 1,	4 miles,	11 min. from call,	Oil stove in refining works of Wm. Somerville & Son, Forrest Street, Blantyre,	Unknown,
13	Lanark,	July 4th, 8.15 p.m.	Police 2, Civilians 4,	400 yds.,	5 min. from call.	Window curtains in house at 40 Castlegate Street, Lanark, occupied by Wm. Ballantyne,	Lighted paper in contact,
14	Bellshill,	July 8th, 10.10 a.m.	Police 6.	2½ miles,	12 min. from call.	Dwelling-house, 26 Clova Terrace. Uddingston, occupied by Wm. Brown, miner.	Ignition of escaping gas,
15	Lanark,	July 8th, 1.25 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 4,	700 yds.,	5 min. from call,	House of Wm. M'Laren, 49 South Vennel, Lanark,	Chimney on fire,

FIRE BRIGADE.

OF THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDING 23RD AUGUST, 1913.

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water-Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	REMARKS.
£200	£70	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes.	6.15 p.m.	
27	27	Water from hydrant,	One,	Three,	No,	2.41 p.m.	
20	1	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	2.15 a.m.	
700	1	Chemical extinguishers.	...	...	...	4.10 p.m.	
3,500	1,200	Water from hydrant and pumped from pond.	Two,	Twenty-one	No,	10.10 p.m.	
300	200	Water from hydrant,	One,	Eight.	Yes,	5.10 p.m.	
3,200	450	Water from hydrant and a works pond,	One,	Eleven,	...	12.45 p.m.	Coatbridge Brigade were also present and in action, off street hydrant.
and the smoke got into the next house and filled it with smoke. The occupier got alarmed, and							
280	20	Water from hydrant,	One,	Three,	Yes,	2.20 p.m.	
800	450	Water from hydrant,	One,	Four,	Yes,	3.10 a.m.	
80	80	Water from pipe, and turning over the straw,	One,	Seven,	No,	5.15 p.m.	No pressure and no other water available, had to allow straw to burn out.
2,000	30	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	No,	6.5 p.m.	
—	10s.	Pulling down curtains and stamping on them,	...	...	...	8.30 p.m.,	
500	1 10s.	Pails of water,	...	...	...	8.45 a.m.,	
500	2	Water from hydrant.	One.	Four,	Yes,	2.10 p.m.	

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Fireman (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
16	Bellshill,	July 13th, 3.8 a.m.	Police 5, Civilians 3,	7 miles,	19 min. from call,	Haystack at Dalmacoulter Farm, New Monkland, occupied by John Paterson,	Unknown,
17	Bellshill,	July 20th, 2.36 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 3,	4 miles,	10 min. from call,	Railway signal cabin at Carfin, belonging to the Caledonian Railway Company,	Unknown,
18	Bellshill,	July 21st, 3.27 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	6½ miles,	19 min. from call,	Wooden henhouse at Whiterigg, owned by John Williamson, brickworker,	Burning match dropped.
19	Bellshill,	July 22nd, 1.21 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	4 miles,	11 min. from call,	Oilworks in Forrest Street, Blantyre, owned by Wm. Somerville & Sons, Blantyre,	Unknown,
20	Cambuslang,	July 22nd, 1.50 p.m.	Police 5, Civilian 1,	4 miles,	10 min. from call,	Oilworks in Forrest Street, Blantyre, owned by Wm. Somerville & Sons, Blantyre,	
21	Cambuslang,	July 23rd, 5.53 p.m.	Police 5,	3 miles,	12 min. from call,	Hay in shed at Muirside Farm, Carmunnock, occupied by James Fleming,	Unknown,
22	Cambuslang,	July 28th, 3.8 a.m.	Police 7, Civilians 2,	2 miles,	8 min. from call,	Pithead and scaffolding at Bogfield Colliery, Carmyle—Dunn & Stephen, Ltd.,	Unknown.
23	Cambuslang,	July 29th. 12.50 a.m.	Police 6, Civilians 3,	4 miles.	15 min. from call,	Foundry belonging to Rankin & Steven, Ltd., at Budhill, Shettleston,	Spark from a furnace,
24	Cambuslang.	July 29th, 2.50 p.m.	Police 6, Civilian 1,	...	...	Oil tank at Gilbertfield Co-operative Society's premises, Half-way, Cambuslang,	Spark from a tobacco pipe,
25	Cambuslang,	Aug. 3rd, 9.10 p.m.	Police 6,	10 miles,	20 min. from call,	No. 15 Cadder Colliery, owned by the Carron Coal Company, 125 Buchanan Street, Glasgow,	Unknown,
26	Bellshill.	Aug. 1st, 10.8 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 4,	2 miles,	8 min. from call,	Oil store at No. 6 Thankerton Pit. Holytown, owned by John M'Andrew & Co.,	Lighted match dropped,
27	Cambuslang.	Aug. 7th. 5.55 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 3,	1½ miles,	8 min. from call,	Wooden sleepers at Westburn, belonging to the Caledonian Railway Company,	Spark from loco. engine,
28	Bellshill,	Aug. 13th, 12.38 a.m.	Police 6. Civilians 3,	10 miles,	30 min. from call,	Stack of straw at Eastfield Farm. Caldercruix. occupied by Robert Frame. farmer,	Unknown.
29	Lanark,	Aug. 14th, 1.38 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 4,	18 miles,	37 min. from call,	Stack of hay at Townhead Farm, Dolphinton, occupied by William Cooper,	Children with matches,
30	Lanark,	Aug. 15th, 2.42 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 4,	750 yds.,	5 min. from call,	Hay in a loft at 8 Bonnet Road, Lanark, occupied by Robert Barr & Sons, bakers,	Flying spark blown in,

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water-Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	Remarks.
£60	£60	Water from hydrant,	One,	Eight,	No,	7.12 a.m.	
500	300	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes,	4.10 p.m.	
2 10s.	2 10s.	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	4.29 p.m.	
3,000	2,500	Water from street hydrants,	Three,	thirty-three	Only fair,	7 p.m.	
...	...	...	...	...	...	4.45 p.m.	
2,000	350	Water from hydrant,	One,	Ten,	Yes,	11.30 p.m.	
2,500	2,300	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Sixteen,	Yes,	8 a.m.	
2,000	70	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Eight,	Yes,	2.55 a.m.	
...	...	Throwing sand on burning oil,	...	...	...	...	Engine cancelled before it left garage.
The fire was underground and could not be reached by the Brigade. Engine returned to Station, being of no service.						11.35 p.m.	
15	13	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	10.46 p.m.	
10	10	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Six,	No,	8.5 p.m.	
90	90	Water from hydrant,	One,	Fourteen,	No,	3.37 a.m.	
42	18	Water pumped from dam,	...	Eight,	...	4.20 p.m.	
200	1	Pails of water,	...	...	...	3 p.m.	

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
31	Cambuslang,	Aug. 18th, 2.42 p.m.	Police 6,	11 miles,	28 min. from call,	Seven acres of growing trees on Cleuchearn Estate, owned by Lady Montgomery,	Carelessness with matches,
32	Bellshill,	Aug. 18th, 11.31 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 4,	9½ miles,	32 min. from call,	Drying kiln attached to wood sawmill at Coltness, Wishaw,	Overheating of kiln,
33	Cambuslang,	Aug. 19th, 6.30 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	3 miles.	15 min. from call,	Wood shavings in coal cellar attached to Baillieston Police Station,	Children with burning matches,
34	Larkhall,	Aug. 22nd, 3.48 p.m.	Police 5,	5 miles,	32 min. from call,	Shed containing 7 tons of hay at Waterloo, near Wishaw, owned by George Robertson,	Spark from loco. engine,

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in Use.	Was the Water-Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	Remarks.
£1,000	£200	Pails of water and beating out the fire.	...	...	...	5.45 p.m.	
30	30	Water from hydrant,	One,	Three,	Yes,	1.5 a.m.	
...	Nil	Water from hydrant,	One,	Three,	Yes,	7.43 p.m.	
35	30	Water from hydrant.	Two,	Five,	No.	7.30 p.m.	Engine held up five times by flocks of sheep on the road.

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain,*
Firemaster.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 28th May, 1913, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 28th May. 1913.

Present—

ALEXANDER HAMILTON. | WILLIAM LOVE.
ROBERT LAMBIE. | JAMES PRENTICE.
JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

EDMUND DONALD, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd April, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the Reports of the Inspectors for the month of April, (Appendix), a summary of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Inspectors' monthly reports.*

The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries of the inspectors, and of the wages of the inspector's assistants, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, viz. :— *Inspectors' Salaries, &c.*

INSPECTORS' SALARIES TO 15th JUNE.

Chief Inspector, ...	£10	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12	10	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	11	13	4
	£46	13	4

INSPECTORS' ASSISTANTS' WAGES TO 10TH MAY.

Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	9	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5	5	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	13	0
	17	7	0
	£64	0	4

Inspectors' Expenses, &c.

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of Inspectors' expenses, &c., viz.:—

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th May.

Chief Inspector, ...	£0	14	4
Inspector Chrystal, ...	2	1	0
Inspector Mitchell, ...	5	2	4
Inspector Paterson, ...	2	10	3
	£10	7	11
National Insurance—County's Contribution in respect of Inspectors, ...	£0	4	0

John Miller, Motherwell, carting standard weights and measures, ...	£8	11	0
Robert Haddow, Lanark, carting standard weights and measures, ...	5	10	0
E. Laurie, Airdrie, carting standard weights and measures,	12	12	0

Proposal to increase rent of Weights and Measures Office in Motherwell.

The Clerk having intimated that the proprietrix of the property in Motherwell from whom the Weights and Measures Office was rented, proposed to increase the rent from £15 to £17 per annum, consideration of the matter was delayed.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH APRIL, 1913.

VERIFICATION WORK.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	105	18	—	—	86	1	—	86	—	—	—	—
No 3,	53	—	—	—	16	31	6	16	—	—	—	—
No. 4,	25	—	—	—	11	—	12	11	—	—	—	2

OUTDOOR INSPECTION.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	CORRECT.			INCORRECT.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	*254	2,222	1,183	605	332	47	19	36
,, 3,	*70	85	—	—	84	—	—	1
,, 4,	*159	169	—	—	148	—	—	21

* Of these 73, 59, and 82 were Collieries.

FEES.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 2,	0	19	7	1	0	3½	1	19	10½
,, 3,	4	7	2½	0	2	5	4	9	7½
,, 4,	4	14	1	0	2	3	4	16	4
Received from Burgh of Rutherglen,							12	0	0
Total, ...							23	5	10

CASE PENDING AT DATE OF LAST REPORT.

Forrest Brothers, Bellshill—Fined 10s. or 5 days.

28th May, 1913.

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WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

18th June, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 18th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Davie.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
D. Kinloch Michie.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.

Chairman.

Mr. Tonner, Chairman of the Committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Death of Mr. Donald.—Expression of sympathy.

The Chairman having referred to the death of Mr. Edmund Donald, the Chief Inspector, which had taken place on the 7th current, the meeting agreed to record in the minutes an expression of Committee's appreciation of the long and faithful service rendered by Mr. Donald, their regret at his death, and their sympathy with his family in their bereavement. The Clerk was instructed to send to Mr. Donald's relatives an extract from the minutes containing this resolution.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 28th May, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Inspectors' Reports for May.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the reports of the Inspectors for the month of May, a summary of which forms Appendix I. to this minute.

Inspectors' salaries, &c.

The Clerk submitted a note of the salaries of the Inspectors, and of the wages of Inspectors' Assistants, payment of which was authorised by the committee, subject to being passed by the Finance Committee, viz. :—

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th July.

Inspector Chrystal, ...	£12 10 0	
Do. (proportion of increase from 15th February), ...	4 3 4	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	12 10 0	
Do. (proportion of increase from 15th February), ...	4 3 4	
Inspector Paterson, ...	11 13 4	
		£45 0 0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 14th June.

Inspector Chrystal, ...	£8 0 0	
Inspector Mitchell, ...	6 10 0	
Do. (proportion of increase from 15th February), ...	1 14 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	7 0 0	
		£23 4 0
		£68 4 0

The meeting also passed for payment the following sums in respect of Inspectors' expenses, &c., viz. :— *Inspector's expenses, &c.*

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th June.

Inspector Chrystal, ...	£1	12	10
Inspector Mitchell, ...	3	13	3
Inspector Paterson, ...	4	14	3
		£10	0 4
National Insurance.—County's contribution in respect of Inspectors, ...		0	3 0
		£10	3 4

The Clerk submitted a report (Appendix II.) which he had received from Inspector Chrystal, of the proceedings at the annual meeting of the Incorporated Society of Weights and Measures held in London on 22nd to 24th May. *Annual meeting of Incorporated Society of Weights and Measures.—Report by Inspector Chrystal.*

The meeting, having proceeded to consider the arrangements to be made consequent upon the death of Mr. Donald, agreed, on the motion of the Chairman, that it was expedient to appoint a Chief Inspector in room of Mr. Donald. *Arrangements to be made consequent upon death of Chief Inspector.*

The meeting further agreed that, before making an appointment, the members of the committee should have an opportunity of interviewing the three Inspectors presently employed in the County, and with this object it was decided that the next meeting of the committee should be held on Wednesday, 25th current, and that the three Inspectors should be requested to be in attendance. *Matter to be considered at next meeting of Committee.*

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st MAY, 1913.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., Submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2, ...	787	60	15	8	657	2	35	657	—	4	2	4
„ 3, ...	784	53	23	16	641	7	36	630	—	6	—	2
„ 4, ...	685	49	24	27	507	44	35	507	25	3	2	4

Inspections under the Coal Mines Act, 1887.

District.	Tested.		Found Correct.		Incorrect or Requiring Attention.	
	Pitbank Machines.	Cart and Wagon Machines.	Pitbank Machines.	Cart and Wagon Machines.	Pitbank Machines.	Cart and Wagon Machines.
No. 2, ...	30	10	22	9	8	1
„ 3, ...	10	6	10	6	—	—
„ 4, ...	36	29	32	29	4	—

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 2, ...	£11 19 2½	£5 2 8½	£17 1 11
„ 3, ...	6 12 3½	5 4 4	11 16 7½
„ 4, ...	12 15 6½	4 7 7½	17 3 2
Total, ...			£46 1 8½

APPENDIX II.

County of Lanark,
Weights and Measures Office,
Motherwell, 2nd June, 1913.

To the Weights and Measures Committee of the
Lanarkshire County Council.

Gentlemen,

I beg to report having attended the annual meeting of the Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures held in the County Hall, Spring Gardens, London, on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th May.

Cyril S. Cobb, Esq., M.V.O., J.P., Chairman of the London County Council, and president of the Society, presided at the opening meeting, and welcomed the meeting to the County Hall. He understood the Society was largely an educational one, and expressed his pleasure in assisting such a Society in any way he could. Such meetings, he thought, were calculated to improve its members, and make them more fit to carry out the important duties they were called upon to perform.

E. G. Haggarth Brown, Esq., Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, then read a paper entitled "Some Applications of the Theory of Punishment," in which he dealt with the theory of punishment generally, and especially with the prosecution and punishment of persons in cases where no criminal intention was evident, such as the possession of a balance or weight which was false and the owner not aware of any deficiency, or where it was clearly shown that the deficiency was accidental. Considering the effect of a conviction for such offences on the reputation of the persons convicted, he thought it should be considered whether such cases should be prosecuted or not. To prosecute involved hardship on innocent persons, as the public do not distinguish between the conviction for a real offence and the conviction for a technical offence. It also favoured the real offender by tending to establish a practice in many Courts of inflicting nominal penalties. On the other hand, for public officers to try to discriminate between the two classes of cases involved the risk of incurring the suspicion of favouritism.

A discussion followed, during which the method of prosecuting offenders by private prosecutors as in England, and public procurators as in Scotland, were dealt with.

On Thursday afternoon the annual business meeting of the Society was held, when the annual report of the Executive Council and Balance Sheet were submitted, and dealt with.

On Friday forenoon a paper was read by Mr. W. Eric Bousfield, barrister-at-law, entitled "The Law of Evidence."

In his paper he deprecated the practice of using statements made by an accused person or his servant to the inspector at the time an offence was committed as evidence in Court, unless it was really necessary to do so.

Inspectors were advised that the powers to seize articles conferred by Section 48 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1878, should always be exercised, in order that the articles may be produced in Court if necessary, and all articles on which a prosecution was based, or which are connected with a prosecution, should always be produced where possible.

He held that a witness is only entitled to refresh his memory in Court from notes taken at the time, or as soon as possible after, the occurrence with which the notes deal. He may use a copy of these notes, but only if it is a full and complete copy, and the other side is entitled to look at the notes referred to by witnesses.

In connection with the question as to what is the difference or distinction between the terms "false" and "unjust," as used in Section 25 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1878, it was pointed out that a spring balance or other instrument might give correct or incorrect results according to the method in which it is used,

as, for instance, the varation which is frequently found on such instruments when the goods are placed on different parts of the goods pans, in which case the instrument would be unjust, but not false.

On Friday afternoon a paper was read by Mr. Howard Cunliffe, Inspector of Weights and Measures in Smethwick, entitled, "Some Observations on the Shops Acts."

The usual exhibition of weighing and measuring appliances was held by various scalemakers, and these in connection with which an advance has been made on anything now in common uses may be noted, viz. :—

A 10-cwts. platform weighing machine, for weighing goods, fitted with a new device for recording the weight of the goods weighed.

A personal weighing machine, with similar device, for printing the weight on a ticket.

A price-computing counter weighing machine, with new device for resisting strain between body levers and indicating drum. Instead of springs, as hitherto used at this part of the machine, a pendulum lever is introduced, which renders the machine capable of ordinary adjustment.

Several inspectors' out-door balances were exhibited. One aluminium balance of 7 lbs. capacity, including the case, only weighed 4½ lbs, while another only weighed 7 lbs. The balances in use in this County weigh 18 lbs.

I have to thank the committee for allowing me the privilege of attending this meeting, and I am sure that the result of attending such meetings will be to widen our views on many matters in connection with our work, and encourage us to greater care in the performance of our daily duties.

"I am, GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ROBERT CHRYSTAL,

Inspector.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 25th June, 1913, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 25th June, 1913.

Present—

Thomas G. Cowan.	William Neilson.
Andrew Murdoch.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Charles A. Easson.	Colonel King Stewart.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
William Love.	James Tonner.

Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 18th instant, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Appointment of Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting of the committee regarding the appointment of a successor to the late Mr. Edmund Donald, Chief Inspector, the Clerk stated that he had communicated with the three Inspectors for the County, namely, Messrs. Chrystal, Mitchell, and Paterson, and that they were now in attendance.

Salary of Chief Inspector.

Before proceeding to interview the Inspectors the meeting agreed to fix the salary to be offered in connection with the appointment at £180 per annum, the other terms and conditions of the appointment to be the same as applied in the case of the late Mr. Donald.

Three County Inspectors interviewed.

The three Inspectors having been interviewed separately, Mr. Tonner moved that the appointment of Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures be offered to one of the three Inspectors, which was seconded by Mr. Lambie, and agreed to.

Mr. Mitchell appointed Chief Inspector.

A vote was thereafter taken as between the three Inspectors, which resulted in the appointment of Mr. Mitchell.

Mr. Mitchell having been called before the committee, the chairman informed him of his appointment as Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures for the County, on the terms and conditions above stated. Mr. Mitchell intimated his acceptance of the appointment and thanked the committee.

Question of redivision of districts.—Remit to Chief Inspector.

The meeting remitted to the Chief Inspector to consider whether any alteration of the existing arrangements as regards the division of the County into districts was desirable, and, if so, to report to a future meeting of the committee in regard to that matter, or any other matter relating to the administration of the Weights and Measures Acts within the County.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

24th September, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 24th September, 1913, being a meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Alexander Hamilton.	William Neilson.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
William Love.	William Templeton.

Attending—

Andrew Mitchell, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Chairman.

In the absence of Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Lambie was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 25th June, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Report by Chief Inspector.

There was submitted to the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector (Appendix).

Statement of salaries, &c.

With regard to the statement of salaries of the Inspectors and wages of assistants, and of expenses, which forms Appendix IV. to the report of the Chief Inspector, the Clerk stated that the accounts, which in the ordinary course would have been submitted to the meetings in July and August, had been paid, on the same being initialed and passed by the chairman of the committee. The meeting approved.

The meeting having gone over the list of Inspectors' salaries to 15th October, the Inspectors' assistants' wages to 13th September, and the Inspectors' expenses to 15th September, the same were passed for payment.

Overhauling and reverification of sets of balances.—Acceptance of offer of Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Co.

The meeting authorised the acceptance of the offer of Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Co., London, for overhauling and submitting to the Board of Trade for reverification, the sets of balances referred to in the Chief Inspector's report, at the price of £4 15s. per set. The meeting at the same time authorised the Chief Inspector to make such arrangements as he thought fit as regards the verification of the apothecaries' pipettes and any other weights and measures which it may be necessary to forward to London or Edinburgh.

Apothecaries' pipettes.

Weights and Measures Office at Motherwell.—Proposed increase of rent.

The meeting agreed to pay the increased rent of £18 for the Weights and Measures Office at Motherwell, provided the repairs therein mentioned were carried out to the satisfaction of the Chief Inspector.

Representation by traders in the Burgh of Rutherglen for Weights and Measures Office there.

With regard to the representation by traders in the Burgh of Rutherglen, for a Weights and Measures Office there, and to a proposed re-adjustment of the districts in the County, the meeting continued the matter for further consideration, and, meantime, instructed the Clerk and Chief Inspector to submit a report in connection with the matter.

Fire insurance policy.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to take out a new policy of insurance against fire over the offices at Wishaw, Motherwell, and Airdrie for the respective amounts stated in the Chief Inspector's report. The meeting

remitted to the Clerk to consider the liability resting on the committee with respect to traders' weights and measures, which may for the time being be kept in the Offices of Weights and Measures. *Remit to Clerk.*

Under reference to previous minutes in connection with short weight in the retailing of goods, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Town Clerk of Glasgow, of date 7th July last, sending copy of a communication received from the Board of Trade, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Short Weight in retailing of goods.—Communication from Board of Trade.*

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 7th July, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"SHORT WEIGHT IN THE RETAILING OF GOODS.

"With reference to the deputation of representatives of Local Authorities which was received by the President of the Board of Trade on 1st April last, on the above subject, I beg to send, annexed hereto, a copy of the reply received from the Board.

"Yours faithfully,

"J. LINDSAY,
"*Town-Clerk.*

"The County Clerk of Lanark."

(Copy letter referred to.)

"Board of Trade (Standards Department),
"Old Palace Yard,
"Westminster, S.W., 1st July, 1913.

"SIR,

"Referring to the deputation received at this office, on the 1st April, of representatives of County Councils, Town Councils, and other Public Bodies, I am directed by the Board of Trade to state that careful consideration has been given to the views put forward on that occasion, and by other deputations representing divers views with regard to the sale of goods in packets, &c. As a result of this consideration the President of the Board has come to the conclusion that the subject is one of so complicated a character that it would be impossible to introduce legislation to deal with it until after further investigation. The Board are accordingly considering what form of inquiry, whether by means of a select committee, a departmental committee, or otherwise, is the most suitable for the purpose.

"I am, &c.,

"W. F. MARWOOD.

"The Town-Clerk, Glasgow."

There was submitted to the meeting an application by Mr. John Reid, Assistant Inspector, for an increase of wages. The meeting, after consideration, and having had submitted to them information as to the wages paid to assistants by other Local Authorities, did not see their way to grant the application. *Application by John Reid for increase of wages.*

The Clerk reported to the meeting that Mr. William Donald, son of the late Chief Inspector, had called upon him with a view to a settlement of the *Late Chief Inspector.—Statement submitted.*

amount due to the committee, or by the committee to his father's representatives, and he submitted the following statement showing how the matter stood:—

Dr.					
Sum advanced to the late Mr. Donald to meet assistant's wages and expenses until same passed by Committee and refunded by County Treasurer, ...					£16 0 0
Cr.					
Salary for month to 15th June, ...	£10 0 0				
Allowance in lieu of office, ...	0 8 4				
	£10 8 4				
Less Insurance contribution, ...	0 1 4				
		£10 7 0			
Expenses to 15th May, ...		0 14 4			
Do. to 13th June, ...		0 3 11		11 5 3	
Sum due to the County Council, ...			... ...	£4 14 9	

The meeting instructed the Clerk to transmit to Mr. William Donald a copy of the statement, and to have the matter settled in accordance with it.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street, Wishaw, 17*th September*, 1913.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit summaries of the reports of the inspectors for the months of June, July, and August (Appendices I., II., and III.). *Summaries of Inspectors' reports for June, July, and August.*

I also submit a statement (Appendix IV.) of the salaries of the inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and also of expenses. *Salaries of Inspectors, &c.*

I have to report that six sets of weights and four yard sub-divided measures have been forwarded to the Standards Department of the Board of Trade for reverification, together with a set of standards belonging to the Burgh of Lanark. *Reverification of Standards.*

The Board have informed me that the Department are unable to verify the glass apothecaries' pipettes at Edinburgh next month, and I therefore propose to forward these to London for verification.

I submit herewith a letter from Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Coy., Ltd., London, quoting for overhauling and submitting to the Board of Trade for reverification sets of balances 28 inches, 16 inches, and 10 inches, including Board of Trade fees, the price of £4 15s. per set. I would recommend the acceptance of this offer. *Overhauling and reverification of sets of balances.*

I made an inspection of the Weights and Measures Office at Motherwell, and am of opinion that certain repairs are necessary for the convenience and comfort of the District Inspector there. The repairs required include— *Repairs on Weights and Measures Office at Motherwell.*

(1) The raising of the back floor two steps with the consequent raising of the entrance door, and the hearth and grate and the cutting of the press door;

(2) The removal of the present sink from the back room and the putting in of the new glazed sink in the front room;

(3) The repair of the closet so as to remove the cause of dampness.

The factor for the property estimates that to carry out the above repairs will involve an expenditure of £16, and in order to recoup him for this expenditure he proposes to increase the rent from £15 to £18. The rent asked is, in my opinion, not unreasonable, and, as the premises are centrally situated, and, as it would be difficult to find others equally suitable, I would recommend that the increase be agreed to. *Proposed increase of rent.*

Representations by traders in the Burgh of Rutherglen have been made to me through Mr. Paterson as to the advisability of having a Weights and Measures Office at Rutherglen, and I bring the matter before the Committee for consideration. *Representations by traders in Burgh of Rutherglen for Weights and Measures Office there.*

I have considered the readjustment of the districts, but it might be well that I should delay reporting definitely in the matter until the Committee have considered and dealt with the question of having an office at Rutherglen. In the event of the Committee agreeing to accede to the representation, there would not, in my opinion, be any difficulty in making a suitable re-arrangement of the districts.

Fire Insurance Policy.

The current Fire Insurance Policy over the offices, which includes the office at Partick, now given up, expires on 28th current, and I would recommend that a new policy be taken out. The sum for which the premises are insured, viz., £750, appears to me to be ample to cover all risks, and I would recommend that the amount be apportioned amongst the present offices, as follows, viz. :—

Office at Wishaw, ...	£290
,, Motherwell, ...	250
,, Airdrie, ...	210

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,

Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1913.

VERIFICATION WORK.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	1,645	121	48	20	1,392	13	39	1,392	13	4	1	7
„ 3,	1,400	46	25	16	1,163	71	66	1,163	1	7	1	5
„ 4,	543	34	38	8	413	28	10	413	23	5	4	3
	3,588	201	111	44	2,968	112	115	2,968	37	16	6	15

FEES.

DISTRICT.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 2, ...	£8 5 5	£10 2 8½	£18 8 1½
„ 3, ...	8 3 2½	9 3 2	17 6 4½
„ 4, ...	5 9 1½	3 6 8½	8 15 10
	£21 17 9	£22 12 7	£44 10 4

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st JULY, 1913.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	1,261	120	50	13	1,043	4	19	1,026	4	6	1	5
„ 3,	246	10	5	3	183	16	27	183	1	2	—	—
„ 4,	1,205	61	71	16	976	20	14	976	19	43	—	4
Total,	2,712	191	126	32	2,202	40	60	2,185	24	51	1	9

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 2,	10	13	10	8	7	10½	19	1	8½
„ 3,	4	8	8	1	11	4½	6	0	0½
„ 4,	14	2	5	10	8	11	24	11	4
Total,	29	4	11	20	8	2	49	13	1

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st AUGUST, 1913.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	1,373	160	20	13	979	7	179	979	7	8	1	6
,, 3,	1,129	88	15	8	985	13	12	985	4	5	—	3
,, 4,	1,530	106	69	20	1,247	42	32	1,247	38	5	2	7
Total,	4,032	354	104	41	3,211	62	223	3,211	49	18	3	16

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 2,	18 8 10	7 17 7	26 6 5
,, 3,	5 6 1½	8 1 3	13 7 4½
,, 4,	14 12 3½	9 16 4½	24 8 8
Total,	38 7 3	25 15 2½	64 2 5½

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APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATEMENT OF SALARIES OF INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th August.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15 0 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13 6 8		
Inspector Paterson, ...	11 13 4		
		£40	0 0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 12th July.

Chief Inspector, ...	£5 13 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 9 0		
Inspector Paterson, ...	5 13 0		
		17	15 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th July.

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 10 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	0 11 8		
Inspector Paterson, ...	3 2 7		
		10	4 3
National Insurance—County's Contribution in respect of Inspectors and Assistants, ...		0	5 6

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th September.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15 0 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13 6 8		
Inspector Paterson, ...	11 13 4		
		40	0 0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 9th August.

Chief Inspector, ...	£5 13 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 9 0		
Inspector Paterson, ...	5 13 0		
		17	15 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th August.

Chief Inspector, ...	£4 2 6		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	1 8 11		
Inspector Paterson, ...	7 5 2		
		12	16 7
National Insurance—County's Contribution in respect of Inspectors and Assistants.		0	6 0

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th October.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15 0 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13 6 8		
Inspector Paterson, ...	11 13 4		
		40	0 0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 13th September.

Chief Inspector, ...	£7 0 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	8 0 0		
Inspector Paterson, ...	7 0 0		
		22	0 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th September.

Chief Inspector, ...	£7 7 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	5 6 0		
Inspector Paterson, ...	4 13 11½		
		17	6 11½
National Insurance—County's Contributions in respect of Inspectors and Assistants, ...		0	5 9

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT—PROVISION OF SANATORIA.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 30th July, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed in connection with the National Insurance Act, 1911. 30th July, 1913.

Present—

J. P. Baird.	William Neilson.
George Fraser.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	Colonel King Stewart.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk reminded the meeting that, under Section 64 of the National Insurance Act, the County Council were empowered to provide institutions for the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, or such other disease as the Local Government Board, with the approval of the Treasury, might appoint, and that accordingly it fell to this Committee to consider whether it might be necessary for the County Council to take any steps under the said section. *Statement by Clerk.*

The Clerk further reminded the meeting that the question of the provision of Sanatoria in the County had also formed the subject of consideration by the officials, to whom it had been remitted by the Joint Committee, consisting of the members of this Committee and of representatives appointed by the three District Committees, but that, owing to divergence of opinion, no joint report by them had been submitted.

The Clerk stated that since this remit had been made the District Committees, who, under the Public Health Acts, have been dealing with tuberculosis as an infectious disease, had formulated schemes for their respective Wards for dealing with that disease, and that these schemes had been submitted to the Local Government Board for approval, with the object of obtaining a grant.

The Clerk further stated that he had received from Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer, copies of the three schemes, and it was now for consideration whether, having regard to the nature and scope of the schemes, there was any necessity for the County Council taking separate action under the National Insurance Act. He reported that he had considered the schemes, and that as regards the scheme proposed for the Middle Ward District. he was satisfied that it was sufficient for the Ward's present requirements. As regards the schemes for the Upper and Lower Wards, however, these disclosed that there was need for further expenditure for the provision of additional accommodation

Accordingly, if it were ultimately decided that further accommodation should be provided in the Upper and Lower Ward Districts, there would be such provision in the three Wards as would doubtless enable the County Medical Officer to advise the County Council that there was no present necessity for action by the County Council under the powers conferred by the National Insurance Act.

Assuming adequate provision to be made by the three Wards, it was for the consideration of the Committee whether the powers possessed by the County Council under the National Insurance Act, could be usefully interposed so as to secure the full advantages conferred upon the District Committees and the County Council, respectively, under the Public Health Acts and the National Insurance Act.

Recommendation to County Council.

The meeting, after careful consideration, agreed to recommend that the County Council should adopt the schemes which were proposed by the District Committees, and that, if necessary, they should interpose the powers which they possess under the National Insurance Act, as above suggested.

Reformatory at Hairmyres.

The meeting, having taken up consideration of the question of the future use of the Reformatory at Hairmyres, and a discussion having followed thereon, continued consideration of this and other matters until the next meeting of the Committee, which it was agreed should be held on Wednesday next, 6th proximo.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT—PROVISION OF SANATORIA.

6th August, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 6th August, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed in connection with the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Present—

J. P. Baird.
Robert Lambie.
D. Kinloch Michie.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 30th ultimo, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Meeting of opinion that County Council should be absolved from taking action under Insurance Act.

The meeting, having further discussed the question of the provision of sanatoria within the County, were of opinion that, on the facts submitted, the needs of the inhabitants of the County would be met in such a way as to make it unnecessary for the County Council to take action under Section 64 of the National Insurance Act, provided that the Local Government Board approved of the schemes of the District Committees, and that, in these circumstances, the County Council would be absolved from the necessity of taking action under the Act.

Utilisation of Hairmyres. — Recommendation to County Council.

With reference to the proposed utilisation of Hairmyres, the committee agreed to recommend the County Council to divert it, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, from the purpose for which it was intended, and to make it available for the purposes of a sanatorium, leaving the question as to whether it should be for the use of the whole County or any of the individual districts on open one until it is known how far the Local Government Board are prepared to finally approve of the schemes of the three District Committees submitted to them.

Communication from Clerk to District Committee of Upper Ward.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"District Offices,
"Lanark, 28th July, 1913.

"Dear Sir,

"SANATORIA.

"As you are aware, while my committee, in response to the request of the Local Government Board, have submitted a scheme for the prevention, detection, and treatment of tuberculosis in the Upper Ward, it has all along been made perfectly clear that they were not tied to that scheme should a better be devised.

"On Monday last, however, the question was again before them with regard to what is considered a very suitable site for a Tuberculosis Hospital, and the committee, being satisfied from what is being done in the other districts of the County that there was little likelihood of the institutional accommodation being provided otherwise than by the District Committees, agreed, provided their scheme was approved by the Local Government Board, and the Insurance Commissioners, to proceed with same at once, and remitted to a sub-committee to go further into the question of the proposed new hospital.

"I am, &c.,

"A. W. PATERSON."

Proceedings at meeting of joint sub-committee with representatives of County of Lanark Insurance Committee.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at a meeting of the joint sub-committee with representatives of the County of Lanark Insurance Committee, as the same are contained in the minutes of the joint-meeting appended hereto.

Remit to Clerk to interview Local Government Board.

Under reference to these minutes, the meeting, having heard a statement by the Clerk in the matter, remitted to him to interview the Local Government Board on the subject and to report to a future meeting.

APPENDIX.

JOINT MEETING *RE* PROVISION OF SANATORIA.

5th June, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Thursday, 5th June, 1913, being a Joint-Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Joint-Committee appointed by the County Council and the several District Committees in regard to the provision of sanatoria for the treatment of tuberculosis and of representatives of the County of Lanark Insurance Committee.

Present—

JAMES H. FENTON. | ROBERT LAMBIE.

Attending—

Dr. WILSON, County Medical Officer.
A. W. PATERSON, Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee.
JAS. A. MACCALLUM, Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee.

Chairman.

Mr. Lambie in the chair.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Representatives of County of Lanark Insurance Committee.

The Clerk having stated the object of the meeting, there were introduced the following representatives of the Sanatorium Benefit Committee of the County of Lanark Insurance Committee, viz.:—

Andrew M'Anulty, Miss Montgomery,
James M'Luskey, Joseph Sullivan,

along with Mr. W. M. Marshall, Clerk to the Committee.

Statement by Mr. Marshall as to financial position of committee.

Statement by Chairman.

Mr. Marshall, Clerk to the Insurance Committee, having made a statement explanatory of the financial position of the Insurance Committee, and after general discussion, the chairman expressed the view that the County Council would carefully consider the representation made on behalf of the Insurance Committee that the Council should pay half of the net deficiency arising out of the operation of Section 17 of the National Insurance Act in connection with sanatorium benefit, provided satisfactory arrangements were come to with the Insurance Committee on certain points.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON PROVISIONS OF SANATORIA.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 28th May, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Joint-Committee appointed by the County Council and the several District Committees in regard to the provision of sanatoria for the treatment of tuberculosis. 28th May, 1913.

Present—

JOHN C. BURNS. | JAMES H. FENTON.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.

Attending—

Dr. WILSON, County Medical Officer.
A. W. PATERSON, Clerk to Upper Ward District Committee.
W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.
JAS. A. MACCALLUM, Clerk to Lower Ward District Committee.
W. M. MARSHALL, Clerk to County of Lanark Insurance Committee.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the joint sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 16th April, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a Memorandum (Appendix I.) which he had prepared, setting forth the main points which fell to be considered by the committee in connection with the question of the provision of sanatoria, and he stated that he had sent a copy of it to each member of the joint sub-committee. *Memorandum by Clerk.*

The Clerk also laid before the meeting a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, transmitting in terms of the Local Government Board's circular letter, of date 29th May last, a note of the scheme suggested by the Upper Ward District Committee for the prevention, detection, and treatment of tuberculosis in that district, which could also, if required, provide for the requirements of the Burghs of Biggar and Lanark, so that application may be made to the Board for a grant in aid of the proposed sanatorium. *Scheme of Upper Ward.*

The meeting having further discussed the question of the provision of sanatoria in the County, continued the matter for further consideration.

Communication from Clerk to Association of County Councils.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication (Appendix II.) which he had received from the Clerk to the Association of County Councils in Scotland in regard to various questions relative to the provision of sanatoria, the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and the defraying of the cost of such provision and treatment, and he stated that he had sent a print of the letter to each member of the joint sub-committee.

Treatment of tuberculosis amongst non-insured persons. — Communication from Railway Clerks' Association.

There was laid before the meeting a communication, of date 26th April, from the Branch Secretary, at Hamilton, of the Railway Clerks' Association, inquiring what provision had been made by the County Authority for the treatment of tuberculosis amongst non-insured persons.

The meeting agreed to continue the communication for further consideration.

Extension of sanatorium benefits to dependants of insured persons.—Communication from Clerk to County of Lanark Insurance Committee.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the County of Lanark Insurance Committee, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"3 Merry Street,

"Motherwell, 3rd April, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"At a meeting of the Sanatorium Benefit Committee, held yesterday in Glasgow, it was unanimously agreed under the powers contained in Section 17 of the National Insurance Act that sanatorium benefit should be extended to the dependants of insured persons resident within the County. I was instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost in order that, in terms of the Act, the same might be submitted to the Treasury and to your Council. Before doing so, however, I was instructed by my committee to communicate the foregoing resolution to you, and to suggest that a joint-meeting should be held of the Sanatorium Benefit Committee and the appropriate committee of your Council.

"Yours faithfully,

"W. M. MARSHALL,
"*Clerk.*"

The meeting agreed to accede to the request of the Insurance Committee, and remitted to the Clerk to arrange a suitable date for the proposed meeting.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MEMORANDUM by the County Clerk for the consideration of the Joint-Committee on the provision of Sanatoria.

The Joint Committee was appointed consequent upon the passing of the National Insurance Act.

Following on its appointment, the members of the Committee made an inspection of the Infectious Diseases Hospitals erected by the District Committee, and of the buildings belonging to the County Council at Hairmyres, formerly used as an Inebriate Reformatory. This inspection was carried out with the view of informing the members of the provisions already existing for the treatment of patients suffering from tuberculosis, and of ascertaining whether further provision was necessary and could be afforded at the existing institutions.

Since that inspection took place, further accommodation has been provided by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, and it is understood that the District Committees of the Upper and Lower Wards have the question of providing further accommodation under consideration at present.

The powers conferred on the District Committees by the Public Health Acts in regard to providing hospitals for infectious diseases, which includes tuberculosis, are very wide, for, while the underlying principle is the general prevention and mitigation of disease, curative treatment of the individual especially in tuberculosis may properly be considered an important element in checking the spread of the disease amongst the general community.

As will be seen from the Interim Report of the Departmental Committee which is partly printed in the Draft Report submitted by the officials of the County Council and the District Committees, the Local Government Board take a wide view of the powers of Local Authorities in the matter of the care and treatment of tuberculosis.

Beyond their duties in connection with the acquisition of sites for Infectious Diseases Hospitals, the provision of the funds necessary for the erection of such hospitals and their maintenance County Councils were not until the passing of the National Insurance Act authorised to provide hospitals or sanitoria.

That Act however, in the words of the Departmental Committee "supported and extended" the powers of the Public Health Acts with reference to tuberculosis.

Section 64 of the Act provides as follows:—

(1) If under any other Act of the present session any sum is made available for the purposes of the provision of or making grants in aid to sanatoria and other institutions for the treatment of Tuberculosis or such other diseases as the Local Government Board with the approval of the Treasury may appoint, such sum shall be distributed by the Local Government Board with the consent of the Treasury in making grants for those purposes, and the Treasury before giving their consent shall consult with the Insurance Commissioners:

Provided that such sum shall be apportioned between England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland in proportion to their respective populations ascertained in accordance with the returns of the census taken in the year nineteen hundred and eleven.

(2) If any such grant is made to a County Council, the Local Government Board may authorise the County Council to provide any such institution, and, where so authorised, the County Council shall have power to erect buildings and to manage and maintain the institution, and for that purpose to enter into agreements and make arrangements with the Insurance Committees and other authorities and persons, and to do all such things as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid, and any expenses of the County Council, so far as not defrayed out of the grant, shall be defrayed out of the County fund as expenses for general County purposes, or, if the Order of the Local Government Board so directs, as expenses for special County purposes charged on such part of the County as may be provided by the Order.

(3) For the purpose of facilitating co-operation amongst County Councils, County Borough Councils, and other Local Authorities (not being Poor Law Authorities) for the provision of such sanatoria and other institutions as aforesaid, the Local Government Board may by Order make such provisions as appear to them necessary or expedient, by the constitution of Joint-Committees, Joint-Boards, or otherwise, for the joint-exercise by such Councils and Authorities of their powers in relation thereto, and any such Order may provide how, in what proportions, and out of what funds or rates the expenses of providing such institutions, so far as they are not defrayed out of grants under this section, are to be defrayed, and may contain such consequential, incidental, and supplemental provisions as may appear necessary for the purposes of the Order, and an Order so made shall be binding and conclusive in respect of the matters to which it relates.

(4) An Insurance Committee may, with the consent of the Insurance Commissioners, enter into agreements with any person or authority (other than a Poor Law Authority) that, in consideration of such person or authority providing treatment in a sanatorium or other institution or otherwise for persons recommended by the Committee for sanatorium benefit, the Committee will contribute out of the funds available for sanatorium benefit towards the maintenance of the institution, or provision of such treatment, such annual or other payment, and subject to such conditions and for such period as may be agreed, and any such agreement shall be binding on the Committee and their successors, and any sums payable by the Committee thereunder may be paid by the Insurance Commissioners and deducted from the sums payable to the Committee for the purposes of sanatorium benefit.

It it understood that the Local Government Board have agreed that they may competently make grants under this section in respect of hospitals, whether already erected, or which may in future be erected, under the Public Health Acts, and which make adequate provision for the treatment of tuberculosis—these grants to vary in amount according to whether the hospital was erected prior or subsequent to the passing of the National Insurance Act. The proposal of the Board to make such grants somewhat alters the position of the County Council. Had this view not been adopted it would have been financially expedient that the Council should have undertaken the provision of sanatoria, otherwise the County would not have participated in the Imperial grants made available under the National Insurance Act.

The question, however, still remains as to whether the Council can usefully take advantage of the powers conferred by that Act.

In this connection it is to be noted that the powers are so wide as to include every form of tuberculosis treatment. This was necessary as the powers are to be

continued along with the avowed intention of the Act, which is to secure care of those in ill-health during the whole continuance of their illness. In tuberculosis this may, unfortunately, be lifelong, and may require constant treatment of forms suitable to individual cases.

Another point to be noted is that sanatoria are not necessarily to be limited to the treatment of tuberculosis, but may include any other disease whether infectious within the meaning of the Public Health Acts or not. This is a consideration the importance of which may be realised when the Insurance Act has been longer in operation. It may be found that voluntary agencies, such as the infirmaries are not capable of making the necessary provision for such diseases, and that it will fall to the County Council to do so.

Meantime, however, the Local Government Board require the County Council to submit to them a scheme for tuberculosis treatment in the county. The reply to this has been delayed pending inquiry into the existing and contemplated provisions in the several districts.

The County Council have accordingly now to consider what further provision, if any, should be made, and how such further provision, if necessary, can best be made available.

In this connection two questions arise :—

(1) Does the provision made, or contemplated, by the District Committees need to be supplemented ?

(2) If so, should this be brought about by the County Council acting by by themselves under the Insurance Act, or in combination with other local authorities such as the Burghs in the County ?

A request by certain of the Burghs, with a view to co-operation, has been submitted to the County Council, and has not yet received a definite reply.

If a Sanatorium were erected by the County Council, it would be available not only for insured persons and their dependants on payment by the Insurance Committees, and for persons falling to be dealt with under the Public Health Acts if it were found to be of advantage to afford them the benefit of any special treatment, such as open-air employment which such sanatoria might be expected to make provision for, but also for other persons who on payment might be anxious to obtain the advantages of the Sanatorium.

In connection with the question of the County Council making such provision, the existence of the institution at Hairmyres which might, it is understood, be readily made available for the purpose will doubtless be carefully considered.

It falls to the Joint Committee to consider a communication from the Clerk to the Insurance Committee for Lanarkshire, that the County Council should confer with that Committee with a view to discussing whether in terms of Section 17 of the National Insurance Act, the County Council would in consequence of the Insurance Committee extending the benefit of sanatorium treatment to the dependants of insured persons, be prepared to contribute one-half of the expense expended by the Insurance Committee on sanatorium benefit in excess of the amount available from the funds of the Committee.

The amount of this excess has not yet been ascertained, but it is obvious it will be considerable. In any case the matter is one of great importance to the County Council as the liability once accepted may be expected to be a continuing one.

If it is acceded to it would seem to make it necessary that the Council should exercise an oversight of the means adopted for sanatorium treatment.

The further consideration arises whether a solution of the question might not be best found by adopting the suggestion put forward in the Draft Report of the officials that the County Authorities should make themselves responsible for the treatment of all persons in the County suffering from tuberculosis, including insured persons and their dependants, and that the Insurance Committee should, in consideration of this, hand over the proportion of their funds available for this purpose, the County Authorities also receiving the special grant which has been promised from the Imperial Exchequer. If this were done means could doubtless be devised for securing that the Insurance Commitree should have their interest in the disposal of their share of the monies applied safeguarded.

It may be of interest to note that the suggestion made in the Report of the Officials has also now been put forward by the English Local Government Board.

T.M.

25th May, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COUNCILS IN SCOTLAND.

County Rooms,
Edinburgh, 31st March, 1913.

DEAR SIR,

PROVISION OF SANATORIA, &c.

The Executive Committee of the Association, at a meeting on 27th instant, considered carefully various questions relative to the provision of sanatoria, the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and the defraying of the cost of such provision and treatment.

Pulmonary tuberculosis is an infectious and notifiable disease, and hospitals for the reception and treatment of persons suffering from it may be provided and maintained under the Public Health Act. It was, however, pointed out to the Executive Committee that in rural areas special hospitals for this disease cannot be efficiently and economically provided except by a combination of a comparatively large number of Public Health Local Authorities, and further that, apart from other considerations, experience has demonstrated the difficulties in the way of such a number of Local Authorities reaching unanimity on the numerous questions which must necessarily arise and be determined in such a combination agreement.

From the terms of the National Insurance Act of 1912, Parliament clearly contemplated that County Councils of Counties (including, in Scotland, all burghs therein with less than 20,000 inhabitants) and the Town Councils of burghs exceeding that population, should provide and maintain sanatoria for the reception and treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and for facilitating such provision and maintenance the Local Government Board may, by Order, combine two or more counties and (or) large burghs. A sum of £1,500,000 was set apart for the purpose of grants towards the capital cost of sanatoria, and grants amounting, it is understood, to three-fifths of such expenditure under this head, as may be approved by the Local Government Board, are proposed to be made in due course to County and Town Councils providing such accommodation. Official intimation as to the conditions and proposed amounts of these grants is expected to be issued very shortly.

For the purpose of providing treatment in sanatoria for insured persons suffering from tuberculosis, each Insurance Committee requires to make arrangements, to the satisfaction of the Insurance Commissioners, with the managers of a sanatorium. It has been indicated that each Insurance Committee will practically be required to contract with the managers of any sanatorium which may have been provided by the County Council of their county or the Town Council of their burgh.

An Insurance Committee, may, if they think fit, undertake responsibility for the treatment of the dependents of insured persons who may be suffering from tuberculosis. Where the Insurance Committee of a County resolve to extend such treatment to the dependents of insured persons, the Treasury and the County Council of the County may each undertake to defray one-half of the cost of treatment of insured persons and their dependents in so far as such cost exceeds the amount at the disposal of the Insurance Committee for the purpose.

Where County Councils defray any part of the cost of providing sanatorium benefit for insured persons or their dependents, the Insurance Act provides that the representation of the County Council on the Insurance Committee for the County (*i.e.*, one-fifth of the total) may be increased, and that the representation of insured persons on the Committee (*i.e.*, three-fifths) is to be correspondingly decreased.

The Association of County Councils in England and Wales has expressed satisfaction with the proposed grants towards the capital cost of sanatoria, and have recommended their constituent Councils to proceed with the erection of these institutions. That Association is now communicating with the Government, and endeavouring to secure that where County Councils undertake the treatment of tuberculosis for the whole of the community, the Treasury will give a guarantee that they will get the whole of their certified expenditure on insured persons repaid them from the Insurance Act fund, supplemented, if necessary, by a grant from the Exchequer. The Executive Committee have instructed me to communicate with the Government in support of the representation by the English Association.

On the assumption that the promised grants towards capital cost in Scotland are similar in amount to the corresponding grants already intimated in England, and that the conditions, when issued, of the Scottish grants are satisfactory, the Executive Committee were unanimously of opinion that it was desirable that Scottish County Councils should proceed with the erection of sanatoria, in terms of Section 64 of the National Insurance Act, for all areas for which such institutions have not already been provided.

Subject to satisfactory adjustment of the questions under discussion in regard to the amount of the Treasury contribution towards the expected deficiency in respect of treatment, and to the representation of County Councils on the Insurance Committee for their Counties being increased to not less than one-third of the total membership of the Committee, the Executive Committee were also unanimously of opinion that it was desirable that County Councils should undertake responsibility for their proportion of the cost of treatment, and by so doing co-operate in the effort to stamp out consumption.

The committee recognised that a Tuberculosis Officer will require to be appointed either for each County or for suitable areas consisting of two or more Counties, and they were of opinion that Insurance Committees should contribute definite proportions of the salaries and expenses of these officers.

Yours faithfully.

A. G. G. ASHER,
Secretary.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th June, 1913.

Present—

William Barr.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
William Neilson.
John Todd.
William Spiers.
Thomas Watt.
James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson, Chairman of the Committee presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 23rd April, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £71,693 9s. 9d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book being initialed by the Chairman and Colonel Logan. *Accounts and requisitions.*

The Clerk having reported that, included amongst the accounts was one for two Edison Dictating Machines, which he had on probation, and which had been found to be very useful in connection with the work of the office, the meeting authorised the purchase of the machines. *Edison Dictating Machines.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following Statement of Loan Indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz:— *Statement of Loan Indebtedness.*

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 31st May, 1913.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£945,102 14 7
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£62,105 19 9	
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	27,720 0 0	
		34,385 19 9
		£910,716 14 10
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		81,266 9 1
		£991,983 3 11

The County Fund stands at			£27,550 0 0
to the credit made up as follows :—			
On Loan to Glasgow Corporation (under notice for repayment), ...	£50,000 0 0		
Less due to Bank, ...	22,450 0 0		
			£27,550 0 0

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking, viz. :—

No. 164 (new) dated 26th April, 1913, ...	£1,114 0 3
No. 169 (old) dated 26th April, 1913, ...	233 4 2
No. 165 (new) dated 15th May, 1913, ...	782 17 5
No. 170 (old) dated 15th May, 1913, ...	181 16 5

Statement showing Allocation of Grant received under Agricultural Rates, &c. (Scotland) Act.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a statement (Appendix) showing the allocation of the grant received under the Agricultural Rates, &c. (Scotland) Act, for the year 1912-1913.

Clerk instructed to make representation to Secretary for Scotland and Lord Advocate.

The meeting, having regard to the continued increasing deficiency in the amount of grant received, and to the gross anomalies arising out of the present method of apportionment, instructed the Clerk again to make a representation to the Secretary for Scotland and the Lord Advocate on the subject.

Abstract of Valuation of Public Undertakings for 1912-13.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting an Abstract of the Valuation of Public Undertakings for 1912-13, as valued by the Assessor of Railways, &c., which was as follows :—

ABSTRACT OF VALUATIONS OF PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR 1913-14 IN COMPARISON WITH 1912-13.

	Mileage. 1913-14.		Mileage. 1912-13.		Valuations. 1913-14.	Valuations. 1912-13.	Valuations. Increase.	Valuations. Decrease.	Decrease in Mileage.	
	Miles.	Chains.	Miles.	Chains.					Miles.	Chains.
Caledonian Railway, ...	303	47½	309	72½	£146,283	£140,267	£6,016	—	6	25
Caledonian and Glasgow and South-Western Railways (Glasgow and Paisley Joint Line),	1	16½	4	—	523	3,604	—	3,081	2	63½
Glasgow District Subway, ...	—	—	2	55	—	5,372	—	5,372	2	55
North British Railway, ...	99	24	103	7	34,499	37,963	—	3,464	3	63
Caledonian, North British, and Glasgow and South-Western Railways (Prince's Dock Joint Line), ...	—	—	1	76	—	888	—	888	1	76
Glasgow Corporation Tramways, ...	9	28	21	50	21,294	48,276	—	26,982	12	22
Lanarkshire Tramways, ...	19	15	19	15	18,545	16,571	1,974	—	—	—
Glasgow Corporation Water, ...	—	—	—	—	3,163	7,763	—	4,600	—	—
Glasgow Corporation Gas, ...	—	—	—	—	2,035	7,881	—	5,846	—	—
Glasgow Corporation Electricity, ...	—	—	—	—	—	55	—	55	—	—
Burgh of Kirkintilloch Water, ...	—	—	—	—	70	65	5	—	—	—
	432	51	462	35½	£226,412	£268,705	£7,995	£50,288	29	64½

	Valuation.
Total Decrease, ...	£50,288
Total Increase, ...	7,995
Net Decrease, ...	£42,293

Note.—The above decrease is accountable to lost assessable area through the operations of the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, in the Parishes of Glasgow and Govan. There is a slight decrease in the Valuation per mile of the North British Railway, and increases per mile in all other undertakings remaining in the County.

ABSTRACT.

Increase.	Decrease.		1913-14.	1912-13.
£5,914	—	Upper Ward, ...	£52,083	£46,169
10,290	—	Middle Ward, ...	142,054	131,764
—	£58,497	Lower Ward, ...	32,275	90,772
£16,204	£58,497		£226,412	£268,705

Net Decrease, £42,293

Valuation of certain Public Works.—Employment of Valuer.

There was submitted a letter from Mr. Hare, Assessor, Hamilton, dated 23rd ultimo, making application for permission to call in the assistance of a Valuer in connection with the valuation of certain public works. The meeting agreed to accede to the request, and to defray the expense in connection therewith, and at the same time instructed the Clerk to advise the other assessors of what was being done, in order that if need be the services of the expert might be available for them also.

Collection of County Assessments.—Acceptance of Office by Mr. Tennent.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Thomas Tennent, 58 Renfield Street, Glasgow, Collector of County Assessments, intimating his acceptance of office on the terms and conditions set forth in the report of the sub-committee which forms an appendix to the minutes of this Committee, of date 23rd April last.

Arrears of Owners County Rates.—Omoa Square.—Mr. John Agnew.

The Clerk reported the position of matters with regard to the arrears of the Owners County Rates due in respect of subjects at Omoa Square, Parish of Shotts, standing in the Valuation Roll in name of Mr. John Agnew, Ravenshall, Carluke, per Messrs. Boyds, Miller, and Thomson, 190 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk with power to him to take such proceedings as he might think necessary in the event of his being of opinion that Mr. Agnew was not the owner of the subjects within the meaning of the Lands Valuation Acts, and with power to him to proceed against the person whose name he considered should have been returned as owner under these Acts.

Appointment of Superintendent Alexander Taylor as Inspector under Explosives Act for Hamilton Division.

There was submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Explosives Committee for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward, dated 29th April last, intimating that the committee had appointed Superintendent Alexander Taylor to be an Inspector under the Explosives Act, for the Hamilton Division of the Middle Ward, in room of ex-Superintendent Anderson, and recommending that the same salary be paid to Superintendent Taylor as was paid to Superintendent Anderson, viz., £20 per annum. The meeting approved.

Increase of Superintendent Pennie's Salary as Inspector under Explosives Act for Airdrie Division.

There was also submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Explosives Committee for the Airdrie Division of the Middle Ward, dated 1st ultimo, intimating that the committee had agreed to recommend the County Council to increase the salary of Superintendent Pennie, as Inspector under the Explosives Act, by £5 per annum, as from 1st January, 1912. The meeting approved.

Alterations of Airdrie Sheriff Court-Houses.—Application made to Dean of Guild Court.

In connection with the proposed alterations of the Airdrie Sheriff Court Houses, the Clerk submitted a communication, dated 29th ultimo, from Mr. J. T. Galletly, H.M. Office of Works, Edinburgh, stating that the plans and specifications had been examined by him, and that, while he had several suggestions to offer, he had intimated to the architects that application might now be made to the Dean of Guild Court for the erection of the additions, and this, the Clerk stated, had been done.

Printing of Registers of Voters.

There was laid upon the table a letter from Mr. Weir Grieve, Sheriff Clerk, Glasgow, dated 29th ultimo, with reference to the printing of the Registers of Voters for the County. The Clerk having stated that, after consulting with Mr. Grieve, it had been agreed to take in offers for 3 and 5 years, the meeting approved.

Children Act.—Case of Peter M'Lean.

The Clerk reported the case of a boy, Peter M'Lean, residing at 14 Forrest Place, High Blantyre, who had pled guilty to a charge of theft by housebreaking and had been committed to Kibble Reformatory, Paisley. The meeting agreed in terms of the Children Act, to become responsible for the offender's maintenance in the Institution.

Staff Salaries.—Remit to Sub-Committee.

In accordance with the instructions that a statement of the staff salaries should be annually submitted to the committee for consideration, the Clerk submitted such a statement, as at 15th May last, when, after discussion, it was agreed to remit the matter to the following sub-committee for consideration and report, viz. :—

William Neilson.	Colonel King Stewart.
William Spiers.	James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson to be Chairman of the sub-committee, and two a quorum.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz. :—

Upper Ward.

(1) £200 for the completion of Public Slaughter-house at Forth;

(2) £50 for new distributing pipe at Roadmeetings within the Carluke Special Water District;

(3) £150 for the extension of outfall-sewer of Crosslaw Special Drainage District to allow of additional land being irrigated.

Middle Ward.

£160 for the construction of new sewers in new street off Glasgow Road and in Bowling Green Road within the Strathaven Special Drainage District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

AGRICULTURAL RATES, &c. (SCOTLAND), ACT.

STATEMENT SHOWING ALLOCATION OF GRANT RECEIVED UNDER ABOVE ACT FOR 1912-13.

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Police—Airdrie District, ...	£63 13 2	£49 2 5	£14 10 9	...
Do. Hamilton District, ...	255 1 1	149 4 1	£105 17 0	...
Do. Lower Ward District, ...	52 1 6	40 10 6	11 11 0	...
Do. Motherwell District, ...	0 5 6	...	0 5 6	...
Do. Upper Ward District, ...	134 11 3	103 15 5	30 15 10	...
County General Assessment—South, ...	169 9 5	114 4 2	55 5 3	...
Do. do. North, ...	13 13 5	11 1 1	2 12 4	...
Registration of Voters, ...	13 17 0	27 12 8	...	13 15 8
Valuation, ...	...	48 10 2	...	48 10 2
Glasgow Lunacy District, ...	21 8 3	...	21 8 3	...
Govan do., ...	0 8 1	6 15 1	...	6 7 0
Lanark do., ...	670 0 2	418 2 11	251 17 3	...
Diseases of Animals.	34 12 8	13 10 2	21 2 6	...
General Purposes, ...	200 17 2	82 17 10	117 19 4	...
Glasgow Sheriff Court Houses, ...	...	1 16 10	...	1 16 10
Highways—Upper Ward, ...	2,440 3 1	1,229 5 2	1,210 17 11	...
Do. Middle Ward, ...	1,929 4 10	1,593 19 8	335 5 2	...
Do. Lower Ward, ...	263 12 2	349 7 6	...	85 15 4
Public Health—Upper Ward, ...	610 0 9	168 17 1	441 3 8	...
Do. Middle Ward, ...	1,176 7 5	310 13 10	865 13 7	...
Do. Lower Ward, ...	136 13 9	190 6 11	...	53 13 2
UPPER WARD.				
Blackwood Water, ...	22 16 5	...	22 16 5	...
Braidwood Water, ...	13 9 6	...	13 9 6	...
Carluke Water, ...	8 11 9	10 8 9	...	1 17 0
Do. Drainage, ...	0 17 11	1 4 7	...	0 6 8
Do. Lighting, ...	2 13 9	...	2 13 9	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 11 4	...	1 11 4	...
Carnwath Water, ...	2 9 1	...	2 9 1	...
Do. Drainage, ...	2 14 2	...	2 14 2	...
Crawford Water, ...	2 3 10	0 12 3	1 11 7	...
Crosslaw Drainage, ...	1 12 7	4 5 11	...	2 13 4
Do. Lighting, ...	1 3 6	...	1 3 6	...
Douglas Water, ...	0 17 2	...	0 17 2	...
Do. Drainage, ...	0 17 2	3 13 8	...	2 16 6
Do. Lighting, ...	1 4 1	...	1 4 1	...
Do. . Scavenging, ...	1 14 5	...	1 14 5	...
Forth Water, ...	16 17 10	...	16 17 10	...
Kirkfieldbank Water, ...	3 12 5	..	3 12 5	..
Law Water, ...	5 10 9	12 5 7	..	6 14 10
Do. Drainage, ...	4 3 1	2 9 1	1 14 0	...
Leadhills Scavenging, ...	0 2 6	..	0 2 6	..
Lesmahagow Water, ...	68 14 2	12 17 11	55 16 3	...
Do. Drainage, ...	1 8 10	1 16 10	...	0 8 0
Do. Lighting, ...	1 18 5	...	1 18 5	
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 16 11	...	3 16 11	...
Roberton Water, ...	8 6 0	...	8 6 0	
Symington Water, ...	13 1 8	...	13 1 8	..
Thankerton Water, ...	4 3 10	...	4 3 10	...
Do. Drainage, ...	1 0 11	...	1 0 11	...
MIDDLE WARD.				
Middle Ward Water—Public Rate, ...	535 11 1	407 1 10	128 9 3	...
Do. Domestic Rate,	51 13 0	10 8 9	41 4 3	...
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Drainage,	0 6 2	...	0 6 2	...
Do. do. Lighting,	0 10 6	...	0 10 6	...
Baillieston Drainage, ...	0 18 10	0 12 3	0 6 7	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 0 7	..	1 0 7	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 1 4	...	2 1 4	...
Bellshill Drainage, ...	1 14 3	0 12 3	1 2 0	...
Carry forward, ...	£8,977 10 5	£5,378 3 2	£3,824 1 9	£224 14 6

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Brought forward, ...	£8,977 10 5	£5,378 3 2	£3,824 1 9	£224 14 6
Bellshill and Mossend Lighting, ...	0 17 1	...	0 17 1	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 8 5	...	3 8 5	...
Do. Electric Lighting,	0 7 10	...	0 7 10	...
Blantyre Drainage, ...	3 8 5	1 4 7	2 3 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	4 5 5	...	4 5 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	5 2 7	...	5 2 7	...
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 14 3	...	0 14 3	...
Bothwell Drainage, ...	1 2 5	...	1 2 5	...
Do. Lighting, ...	2 1 7	...	2 1 7	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 13 5	...	2 13 5	...
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 17 10	...	0 17 10	...
Bothwell Park Lighting, ...	0 2 5	...	0 2 5	...
Busby Drainage, ...	2 13 0	...	2 13 0	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 11 7	...	0 11 7	...
Calderbank Lighting, ...	0 0 9	...	0 0 9	...
Cambuslang Drainage, ...	3 2 11	2 9 1	0 13 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	2 15 1	...	2 15 1	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	4 3 11	...	4 3 11	...
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	1 11 6	...	1 11 6	...
Carfin and Cleekhimin Drainage, ...	0 1 10	...	0 1 10	...
Carmyle Lighting, ...	0 13 1	..	0 13 1	...
Carmyle and Mount Vernon Scavenging,	2 6 11	...	2 6 11	...
Chapelhall Drainage, ...	0 5 2	...	0 5 2	...
Cleland and Omoa Lighting, ...	0 0 5	..	0 0 5	...
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, ...	2 3 7	...	2 3 7	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 10 11	...	0 10 11	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 10 11	...	0 10 11	...
East Kilbride Drainage, ...	3 0 6	...	3 0 6	...
Do. Lighting, , ...	1 0 0	...	1 0 0	...
Gartlea Lighting, ...	0 1 8	...	0 1 8	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 2 1	...	0 2 1	...
Glengowan and Caldercruix Lighting,	0 3 8	...	0 3 8	...
Hamilton Road Drainage, ...	0 2 10	...	0 2 10	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 2 4	...	0 2 4	...
Holytown Drainage, ...	0 2 8	...	0 2 8	..
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting, ...	0 9 1	..	0 9 1	...
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Scavenging, ...	0 14 3	...	0 14 3	...
Larkhall Drainage, ...	2 16 8	2 9 2	0 7 6	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 4 8	...	1 4 8	..
Mount Vernon Drainage, ...	3 10 0	6 15 1	...	3 5 1
Newarthill Lighting, ...	0 7 10	...	0 7 10	...
Newmains Drainage, ...	0 3 6	...	0 3 6	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 1 7	...	0 1 7	...
Newton and Flemington Drainage, ...	0 17 6	...	0 17 6	...
North Mount Vernon Lighting, ...	0 4 11	...	0 4 11	...
Salsburgh Scavenging, ...	0 1 5	...	0 1 5	...
Shotts and Dykehead Lighting, ..	0 17 6	...	0 17 6	..
Stonehouse Drainage, ...	0 6 10	...	0 6 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 14 1	...	0 14 1	...
Strathaven Drainage, ...	4 9 7	...	4 9 7	..
Do. Lighting, ...	1 9 10	...	1 9 10	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 11 2	..	0 11 2	...
Uddingston Drainage, ...	1 10 11	...	1 10 11	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 11 5	...	1 11 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 9 9	...	3 9 9	..
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 13 11	...	0 13 11	...
LOWER WARD.				
Barony Drainage (North), ...	4 11 0	17 16 2	...	13 5 2
Do. (South), ...	1 6 7	...	1 6 7	...
Bishopbriggs Lighting, ...	0 11 11	...	0 11 11	...
Bishopbriggs and Auchenairn Drainage,	8 15 2	...	8 15 2	...
Do. Scavenging,	1 12 6	...	1 12 6	...
Carmunnock Drainage, ...	2 7 3	1 4 7	1 2 8	...
Chryston and Muirhead Drainage, ...	5 12 5	...	5 12 5	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 12 9	...	1 12 9	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 6 0	...	1 6 0	...
Glasgow Sewage Purification Area, ...	15 14 9	...	15 14 9	...
Lambhill Lighting, ...	0 11 8	...	0 11 8	...
Millerston and Stepps Lighting, ...	1 19 5	...	1 19 5	...
North Cadder Water, ...	110 14 4	...	110 14 4	...
Carry forward, ...	£9,212 1 7	£5,410 1 10	£4,043 4 6	£241 4 9

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant	Deficit.	Surplus.
Brought forward ...	£9,212 1 7	£5,410 1 10	£4,043 4 6	£241 4 9
Rutherglen Drainage, ...	6 18 7	...	6 18 7	...
Do. Lighting, ...	3 15 8	...	3 15 8	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 2 5	...	2 2 5	...
Shettleston and Tollcross Lighting, ...	0 8 9	4 6 0	...	3 17 3
Do. Scavenging,	1 1 0	...	1 1 0	...
Do. Electric Lighting,	0 2 5	...	0 2 5	...
South Cadder Water, ...	112 5 7	...	112 5 7	...
South Lenzie Water, ...	1 15 10	3 1 5	...	1 5 7
Do. Drainage, ...	2 6 11	7 7 4	...	5 0 5
Do. Lighting, ...	1 0 10	...	1 0 10	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 16 3	...	0 16 3	...
Stepps Drainage, ...	1 12 1	...	1 12 1	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 5 11	...	0 5 11	..
	£9,346 13 10	£5,424 16 7	£4,173 5 3	£251 8 0
			251 8 0	
			£3,921 17 3	

SUMMARY.

Total Abatements, ...	£9.346 13 10
Total Grant, ...	5,424 16 7
Deficit, ...	£3.921 17 3

In other words, the Government Grant is equivalent to 11s. 7d. per £ of the abatements made by the County Council. Last year it was equal to 12s. 5d. per £.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNT OF GRANTS RECEIVED AND ABATEMENTS ALLOWED SINCE THE PASSING OF THE ACT OF 1896.

	Abatements allowed by County Council	Government Grant.	Net Deficiency.	Net Deficiency per £.
1897-98, ...	£5,888 4 4	£4,881 1 4	£1,007 3 0	£0 3 3
1898-99, ...	6,010 12 5	4,868 8 6	1,142 3 11	0 3 8
1899-1900, ...	6,591 7 5	5,482 17 9	1,108 9 8	0 3 4½
1900-01, ...	6,750 3 1	5,372 12 6	1,377 10 7	0 4 1
1901-02, ...	7,139 14 5	5,415 13 2	1,724 1 3	0 4 10
1902-03, ...	7,495 14 9	5,446 5 0	2,049 9 9	0 5 6
1903-04, ...	7,534 3 2	5,429 4 7	2,104 18 7	0 5 7
1904-05, ...	7,417 14 2	5,434 18 0	1,982 16 2	0 5 4
1905-06, ...	7,433 5 6	5,423 15 9	2,009 9 9	0 5 5
1906-07, ...	7,683 1 9	5,430 5 11	2,252 15 10	0 5 10
1907-08, ...	7,704 17 10	5,424 6 9	2,280 11 1	0 5 11
1908-09, ...	8,184 15 9	5,428 13 8	2,756 2 1	0 6 9
1909-10, ...	7,914 12 11	5,427 18 5	2,486 14 6	0 6 3½
1910-11, ...	8,327 5 4	5,421 0 9	2,906 4 7	0 7 0
1911-12, ...	8,738 9 6	5,425 16 3	3,312 13 3	0 7 7
1912-13, ...	9,346 13 10	5,424 16 7	3,921 17 3	0 8 5
	£120,160 16 2	£85,737 14 11	£34,423 1 3	£0 5 8¾

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

2nd July, 1913.

At Glasgow, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 2nd July, 1913, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Barr.	William Neilson
George Fraser.	John Todd.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton
Colonel Logan.	James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman. Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th June, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Accounts and requisitions. Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £43,230 3s. 9d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book being initialed by the chairman and Mr. Templeton.

Statement of Loan Indebtedness. The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following Statement of Loan Indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 28th June, 1913.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...			£910,716 14 10
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£39,720 0 0		
Loans repaid do., ...	5,129 11 5		
		34,590 8 7	
		£945,307 3 5	
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts.		43,119 5 5	
		£988,426 8 10	

The County Fund stands at £24,091 7s. 1d. to the Credit.

Middle Ward Water requisitions. There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz.:—

No. 166 (new), dated 28th June, 1913, ...	£225 8 10
„ 171 (old), „ „	125 17 2

Proposed purchase of property in Green Street, Strathaven, for improvement of highway. Under reference to minutes of the meeting of the committee, of date 2nd April last, there was submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 16th ultimo, stating that the District Committee now recommended the purchase of a property in Green Street, Strathaven, in addition to the property at the corner of Barn Street and Green Street, with a view to the carrying out of an improvement on the highway. The Clerk having explained the circumstances connected with the purchase of the additional property in Green Street, the meeting approved of the proposals of the District Committee.

Equivalent grant.—Proposed lighting of Meikle Earnock Highway

There was submitted a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 6th ultimo, containing a proposal by the District Committee to apply a portion of their share of the Equivalent Grant towards the lighting with gas of Meikle Earnock highway, between the bridge at the boundary of the Burgh of Hamilton and Meikle Earnock village, at an estimated capital cost of £25, with an annual cost of about £9 3s.

The meeting approved of the proposal, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Secretary for Scotland, with a view to obtaining his consent thereto as a scheme of public utility, in terms of section 2 (5) (c) of the Education, &c., Account (Scotland) Act, 1892.

Lands Valuation Acts.—Alleged false return.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting information against a person in the Parish of Cambusnethan who was alleged to have made, in contravention of the Lands Valuation Acts, a false return of the value of his property. The whole circumstances of the case having been explained by the Clerk, the committee agreed, in the event of the Assessor considering it advisable to take legal proceedings, to meet the expense of the prosecution.

Letter of thanks from Secretary of Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, dated 7th ultimo, from the Secretary of the Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland, thanking the County Council for the voluntary assessment levied in this County in aid of the Society's show, to be held at Paisley during the current month.

Children Act.—Case of Robert Rankin.

The Clerk reported the case of a boy, Robert Rankin, residing at Mable Cottage, Avon Street, Larkhall, who had pled guilty to three charges of theft and six charges of theft by housebreaking, and had been committed to Kibble Reformatory, Paisley. The meeting agreed, in terms of the Children Act, to become responsible for the offender's maintenance in the institution.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

£50 for the extension of distributing main, and construction of hatch boxes on pipes at fountain head in Blackwood Special Water District.

Middle Ward.

(1) £100 for the fencing of grounds at Blantyre Hospital.
(2) £250 for the completion of Strathaven Public Slaughter-house.
(3) £400 for the completion of Shotts Public Slaughter-house.
(4) £1,400 for the construction of a Public Slaughter-house at Baillieston.
(5) £1,000 for the construction of a new sewer, &c., in connection with the drainage of houses at Aitkenhead, within the Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District.
(6) £1,475 for the construction of new sewers in connection with the Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District.
(7) £300 for the purchase of an additional property in Green Street, Strathaven, for the purpose of improving the highway.
(8) £300 for the provision of a new office, &c., at Blantyre Public Slaughter-house.
(9) £3,000 for the construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District, for the year 1913-14.
(10) £500 for the completion of the works in connection with the making up of Tinker's Lane in the Parish of Dalziel for adoption as a highway.
(11) £230 for the provision and erection of a steam hoist at the Destructor, in connection with the Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District.

(12) £192 for the provision and erection of lamps within the Blantyre Special Lighting District.

(13) £34 for the provision and erection of bracket lamps within the Bothwell Special Lighting District.

(14) £450 for the provision and erection of lamps, &c., in connection with the lighting of the eastern portion of the Cambuslang Special Lighting District.

(15) £400 for the introduction of a system of automatic lighting in connection with the Larkhall Special Lighting District.

(16) £2,700 for the erection of a new gate lodge, waiting-room and dispensary at Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell.

(17) £450 for the formation of an embankment at the north-east end of the grounds of the Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell.

The meeting having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

No meeting in August.

Remit to any two members to sign cheques.

It was agreed that there should be no meeting in August, and that any two members of the committee should be authorised to pass accounts, and to sign cheques therefor and for the payments requiring to be made before the date of the next meeting of the committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

3rd September, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 3rd September, 1913, being a meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

William Barr.	William Neilson.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
George Fraser.	William Speirs.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	John Todd.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 2nd July last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Minutes of Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries.

The minutes of meetings of the Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, of dates 9th and 30th July last (Appendices I. and II.), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were, after discussion, approved of.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £32,668 5s. 10d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book being initialed by the Chairman and Mr. Gold. *Accounts and requisitions.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Committee, viz.:— *Statement of Loan Indebtedness.*

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 30TH AUGUST, 1913.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£945,307	3 5
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£46,183 0 0		
Loans repaid do., ...	33,665 0 0		
		12,518	0 0
		£957,825	3 5
Sums due to Bank on capital accounts, ...		36,233	8 6
		994,058	11 11

The County Fund stands at the debit, £7,663 0s. 3d.

There having been submitted a letter from Messrs. Macara Brothers, 108 Hope Street, Glasgow, dated 14th August, offering to negotiate loans for the County Council, the meeting agreed to allow the matter to lie over. *Loans.—Letter from Messrs. Macara Brothers, Glasgow.*

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz.:— *Middle Ward Water requisitions.*

No. 167 (new), dated 26th July, 1913—£394 5s.
No. 168 (new), dated 30th August, 1913—£188 10s. 5d.
No. 172 (old), dated 26th July, 1913—£349 13s. 1d.
No. 173 (old), dated 30th August, 1913—£349 18s. 2d.

There were laid before the meeting communications from the Clerk to the Commissioners for the County Buildings at Lanark, intimating that the Commissioners had decided to carry out extensive repairs on the buildings under their management, and requisitioning the County Council for the sum of £250 to defray the cost of the work, together with an additional sum of £50 to meet the standing charges for the next year or so. The Clerk having explained that, in terms of the statute, the cost of such repairs fell to be borne equally between the County Council and the Town Council of Lanark, the meeting authorised payment of the sums above mentioned, and instructed the Clerk accordingly. *Lanark County Buildings repairs.—Requisitions by Commissioners.*

Under reference to minutes of the Committee, of date 2nd April, regarding a proposal by the District Committee of the Middle Ward to apply a portion of their share of the equivalent grant towards the lighting of Burnhead, &c., Highway with gas, there was submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee, stating that since the application was made the District Committee had decided to instal automatic lighting apparatus, the estimated additional capital cost of the work being £39, making the total estimated capital cost of the lighting proposals for the highway £148 instead of £109. It was, however, estimated that the annual maintenance charges under the altered system would be reduced by about £7 per annum. *Equivalent grant.—Lighting of Burnhead, &c., Highway. — Automatic lighting apparatus.*

The meeting approved of the proposal, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Secretary for Scotland, with a view to obtaining his consent thereto as a scheme of public utility, in terms of Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Education, &c., Account (Scotland) Act, 1892.

Proposal to acquire site for sewage purification works at County Hospital, Bellshill.

There was submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 3rd July, stating that the District Committee proposed to acquire, for the purpose of providing new sewage purification works for the Bellshill Hospital, a plot of ground situated on the Shirrel Burn, lower down than the hospital, extending to a little over an acre, which plot would be intersected by a road of 12 feet in width, reserved by the superior, Miss Isabella Dennistoun Meiklam, of Carnbroe, for an access to her adjoining lands, the feu-duty to be at the rate of £12 per acre so long as the ground is used for sewage purification works only, but if and when utilised for buildings the feu-duty to be increased to £16 per acre. The meeting approved.

Proposed erection of new police stations, &c., by Standing Joint-Committee.

In accordance with the resolution of the County Council, come to at their statutory meeting held on 8th May last, the Clerk reported proposals of the Standing Joint-Committee regarding the erection of new police stations, &c., as follows:—

1. Bishopbriggs.

The ground which it is proposed to acquire from Captain Stirling, of Keir, is on the main road from Bishopbriggs to Kirkintilloch, and extends to ·841 of an acre. The feu-duty is £13 9s. 1d., *i.e.*, at the rate of £16 per acre.

The estimated cost of the erection of the station is £6,000.

2. Burnside.

The site of the new police station is on Fishescoats Farm, adjoining the Railway Goods Station at Burnside. The ground belongs to the Duke of Hamilton's trustees. The extent of feu is 1,946 square yards, and the feu-duty, £9 13s.

The cost of the new station is estimated at £1,500.

3. Lenzie.

The property proposed to be acquired is a double villa in Auchenloch Road, Lenzie. It consists of two houses of three rooms and kitchen each (hot and cold water), and a stable and yard which are let separately. The rental is £47 5s., and the feu-duty, £6 10s. The houses have always been fully let, and are in first-class repair. Seven years ago the property cost £690, and the price now asked is £540.

4. Baillieston.

It is proposed to erect a new police station at Baillieston on the site of the old station. The estimated cost of the new building is £4,500.

5. Mount Vernon.

It is proposed to acquire ground for a new police station at Mount Vernon, the extent of ground being 2397·02 square yards, with feu-duties amounting *in cumulo* to £4 18s. 9d. Messrs. Martin, Mackay & MacQuaker, writers, Glasgow, the agents for the owners (Rossborough's trustees) are willing to submit to their clients any offer which the Committee may make. It is proposed to make an offer of £140.

The estimated cost of the new station is £1,500.

Alterations at Carluke Police Station.

It is proposed to build an addition to this station, to give each of the dwelling-houses a roomy bedroom and a bathroom, and also to alter the present offices so as to provide a new wash-house.

The cost of these alterations is estimated at £400.

The meeting, after consideration, approved of the proposals of the Standing Joint-Committee above set forth, and resolved to recommend to the County Council accordingly.

Clerk reports receipt of Equivalent Grant.

The Clerk stated that he had received from Government the grant, under Section 2 (5) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, known as the Equivalent Grant, amounting to £11,881 7s., being a decrease of £925 7s. 11d. as compared with that of last year.

It was agreed to delay for consideration the question of the allocation of the grant.

Compensation for landward portion of Parish of Govan if annexed.—Letter from Town-Clerk, Renfrew.

There was submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Renfrew, dated 12th August, stating that his Town Council had agreed to accept the figure (£200 14s. 10d.) named by the County Council as the amount of compensation that would be due by the Burgh of Renfrew to the County Council in the event of the annexation of the landward portion of the Parish of Govan.

Office of Depute Clerk of the Peace at Hamilton.—Request that door of strong room should be made fireproof.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from Mr. D. W. Hiddleston, Depute Clerk of the Peace, dated 14th July, intimating a request that the door of the strong-room in his office should be made fireproof. It was agreed to remit the matter to the Committee on the Court Houses and County Buildings at Hamilton for consideration.

County Accounts.—Audit of Balance Sheet.

The Clerk submitted a communication from the Under-Secretary for Scotland of date 5th August last, stating that it is intended that the General County Council Balance Sheet, forms of which were issued to County Treasurers and County Auditors by Scottish Office circular of 20th May, 1911, should annually come under the purview of the County Auditors as part of the Statutory Abstract of County Accounts. It was left to the Clerk to consult with the Auditor with a view to meeting the wishes of the Scottish Office, and to adjust with the Auditor a fee for the additional trouble that would be involved in auditing the balance sheet for the first time.

Expenses opposing Bills and Orders, Session 1912.

The Clerk submitted report by the Auditor of the Court of Session, acting under remit from the Secretary for Scotland, of the examination of the accounts of costs, charges, and expenses incurred by the County Council in opposing and promoting Orders and Bills during Session 1912. The following is an abstract thereof:—

	As Lodged.	Taxed Off.	As Taxed.
1. Expenses of Advertising—General, ...	£201 7 8	...	£201 7 8
2. Opposition to Glasgow Boundaries Bill.... ...	12,669 10 6	£80 4 5	12,589 6 1
3. Promotion of County of Lanark Tramways Bill,...	5,747 16 2	118 8 5	5,629 7 9
4. Opposition to Clyde Valley Electrical Power Order,...	50 13 8	0 11 5	50 2 3
5. Promotion of Glasgow Water Charges Bill, ...	433 3 6	0 15 0	432 8 6
6. Opposition to Caledonian Railway Order, ...	5 7 2	...	5 7 2
7. Opposition to Glasgow Corporation Order, ...	62 0 2	1 11 5	60 8 9
8. Auditor's Fee, ...	96 15 0	...	96 15 0
	£19,266 13 10	£201 10 8	£19,065 3 2

The Clerk intimated that a late account had come in which, if passed by the Auditor of the Court of Session, would increase the cost of the opposition of the Glasgow Boundaries Bill by £10.5.

Glasgow Sewage Purification Assessment for 1913-14.—Letter from Town-Clerk.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, of date 30th August, intimating that the Corporation had resolved to impose a sewage assessment of 5·73d. during the year 1913-14, being a decrease of ·17d. per £ from last year's assessment, and that accordingly that rate would fall to be imposed within the north of Clyde area, and a rate of 4d. in the £ within the south of Clyde area.

Draft Estimates for 1913-14.

The Clerk submitted a print of the draft estimates necessary to meet the requirements of the County Council, by way of rating for the current year, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Committee, and he stated that the estimates, so far as affecting the expenditure of the District Committees, had been considered and approved of by these Committees, and, so far as relating to highways, by the County Road Board.

The meeting, having gone over the estimates, and certain adjustments having been made, agreed to continue further consideration of them until next meeting of the Committee.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the Committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

Upper Ward.

(1) £100 for wayleaves and tenants' surface damages, in connection with the laying of the additional pipe from the springs at Lowriesmuir to Lesmahagow Special Water District;

(2) £30 for laying a distributing pipe in new street at Coalburn, in the Lesmahagow Special Water District;

(3) £135 for laying a new 3-inch distributing pipe, from the Church at Crawford to the Crawford Hotel, in Crawford Special Water District;

(4) £25 for laying of 3-inch distributing water pipe in Kirkstyle Road, in Carluke Special Water District;

(5) £60 for erection of twelve additional lamps in Carluke Special Lighting District;

(6) £2,600 for intercepting sewage presently discharged into Jock's Burn from Carluke Special Drainage District;

(7) £20 for extension of sewer in Kirkstyle Road, in Carluke Special Drainage District;

Middle Ward.

(1) £350 for additional alterations at the District Offices, Hamilton;

(2) £260 for an extension of the existing garage at the District Offices, Hamilton.

The Clerk also submitted to the meeting an application by the County Road Board for the consent of the Committee to the borrowing of £1,000 for constructing two new bridges in the Parish of Douglas (1) over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, and (2) for flood water from Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway to take the place of two destroyed by flood.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that Committee for their consent.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON STAFF SALARIES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, the 9th day of July, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee on Staff Salaries. 9th July, 1913.

Present—

WILLIAM NEILSON. | Colonel KING STEWART.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Mr. Neilson, Chairman, presiding. *Chairman.*

The Clerk laid upon the table the remit from the Finance Committee as contained in their minutes of 4th June. The remit was in the following terms:— *Remit.*

"In accordance with the instructions that a statement of the staff salaries should be annually submitted to the Committee for consideration, the Clerk submitted such a statement as at 15th May last, when, after discussion, it was agreed to remit the matter to the following Sub-Committee for consideration and report, viz.:—

WILLIAM NEILSON. | Colonel KING STEWART.
WILLIAM SPEIRS. | JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Mr. Neilson to be Chairman of the Sub-Committee, and two a quorum."

The Clerk submitted a list of the members of the staff, with particulars in each case as to length of service and present salary. *List of members of staff submitted.*

The Sub-Committee, having gone through the list and been advised by the County Clerk as to the duties and responsibilities of each member of the staff, resolved to recommend that increases should be granted in certain cases. It was agreed to continue consideration of the salaries of those members of the staff engaged in the Treasurer's Department, the Clerk being instructed to consider and report as to whether any scheme of grading could be introduced for that department. *Clerk explains duties and responsibilities of each member of staff.*

It was also agreed that three temporary Clerks, who were now employed all the year round, should be included on the permanent staff at an increase in each case of £5 per annum.

The Clerk made a statement to the Sub-Committee, in which he explained the great and growing increase of work falling to the Treasurer's Department, which was partly occasioned by the natural increase in the general work of the department, but was also due to recent legislation which imposed additional responsible financial duties on the County Council, and indicated that he would be glad if the Sub-Committee would consider the advisability of adding to the staff an experienced accountant. He also stated that there was at the present time a vacancy on the general staff of the Treasurer's Department, but that, if the suggestion now made were approved of, it would be unnecessary to make another appointment. The Sub-Committee agreed to take the proposal into consideration. *Statement by Clerk.* *Advisability of adding experienced accountant to staff.*

APPENDIX II.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON STAFF SALARIES.

30th July, 1913. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, the 30th day of July, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee on Staff Salaries.

Present—

WILLIAM NEILSON. | Colonel KING STEWART.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Chairman. Mr. Neilson, Chairman, presiding.

Consideration of remit resumed. The Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the remit made to them, and, having heard the Clerk on the question of the adoption of a grading scheme suggested for his Treasurer's Department, and considered the information supplied by him with reference to the salaries paid by some of the leading Municipal and Parish Council Authorities, resolved not to make any recommendation in the direction of a grading scheme meantime. Thereafter, the list of staff salaries submitted by the Clerk was again gone over, and, after a comparison had been made with the salaries paid by the authorities above referred to under somewhat similar conditions, certain further increases were recommended.

Question of grading scheme.

Increases recommended. The result of the Sub-Committee's deliberations under the remit has been to recommend increases and allowances to eighteen members of the staff, the total amount involved being, according to the list signed by the Chairman, £230.

Agreed to recommend that Clerk be empowered to appoint an experienced accountant. The Sub-Committee, having resumed consideration of the question of adding to the Treasurer's Staff an experienced accountant, and, having heard a further statement by the Clerk in regard to the matter, were satisfied as to the advisability of making such an addition to the staff, and unanimously agreed to recommend that the Clerk be empowered to appoint an experienced accountant, at a salary not exceeding £250 per annum.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st October, 1913, being a meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 1st October, 1913.

Present—

William Barr.	Colonel Logan.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Neilson.
William L. Dyer.	William Speirs.
George Fraser.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	John Todd.

James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 3rd September, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of meeting of the Sub-Committee on Glasgow Compensation Moneys, of date 3rd September (Appendix I.), which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were approved of. *Minutes of Sub-Committee on Glasgow Compensation Monies.*

The Clerk submitted, for the information of the meeting, a print of the minute (Appendix II.)—a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee—of a conference he had convened of Parish Council Collectors, with a view to the exchange of opinion on the working of the House-Letting Act. *House-Letting Act.—Minutes of meeting of Parish Council Collectors.*

The meeting having heard the Clerk further on the subject, approved of the recommendations of the conference, and resolved to recommend to the County Council that the dates for lodging owners' claims under Section 7 (3) of the Act be in future, until the Council otherwise decide, 20th and 21st May, instead of 20th May and 15th August as at present. It was also resolved to recommend that no claims be entertained that are lodged after the prescribed dates. *Alteration of dates for lodging Owners' claims for repayment.*

The Clerk submitted an abstract (Appendix III.) of the owners' claims lodged under Section 7 (3) for the year 1912-13. The abstract showed that the net amount to be refunded to owners was £1,091 12s. 7d., which sum the meeting passed for payment. *Abstract of Owners' claims as lodged under Section 7 (3) for year 1912-13.*

The Clerk was authorised to pay to the Parish Council Collectors such remuneration as he might consider adequate for their trouble in co-operating with the County Council to meet the requirements of the Act and in checking the owners' claims. *Remuneration of Parish Council Collectors.*

As relative to the foregoing and to the general provisions of the House-Letting Act, the Clerk submitted a statement showing a gain of £2,886 to the County Council through the operation of the Act, after giving effect to the owners' claims above referred to. In reply to a question, he added that the saving under the new system of collection was over £1,100, and that the combined saving on the year was over £4,000. The meeting instructed the Clerk to supplement the statement submitted by the inclusion of the saving under the new system of collection, and to print the statement as an appendix to this minute. It forms Appendix IV. *Statement showing gain to County Council through operation of House-Letting Act.*

Committee's expression of appreciation of services of Clerk and Staff.

The meeting expressed their satisfaction at the substantial saving shown in the statement, and their appreciation of the efficient manner in which the work of collection and the duties under the House-Letting Act had been carried out by the Clerk and his staff.

Accounts and Requisitions.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £31,760 1s. 5d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book being initialed by the chairman and Mr. Christie.

Statement of loan indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1913.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£957,825 3 5
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£35,799 13 2	
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	1,977 17 11	
		33,821 15 3
		£991,646 18 8
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		20,744 11 1
		£1,012,391 9 9

The County Fund stands at £28,376 17s. 6d. to the debit.

Middle Ward Water Requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward water undertaking, viz.:—

No. 169 (new), dated 27th September, 1913, ... £136 2 0
No. 174 (old), dated 27th September, 1913, ... £509 14 10

Taxation and Rating of Land Values.—Conference to be held at Cardiff.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Joint-Secretaries of the United Committee and the Welsh League for the Taxation of Land Values, inviting the appointment of delegates to attend a conference to promote the taxation and rating of land values, to be held at Cardiff on 13th current. The meeting, after discussion, agreed not to appoint any delegates.

Apportionment of Lunacy Assessment.

There were laid before the meeting communications from the General Board of Lunacy, showing the apportionment of the assessments amongst the contributing Authorities in connection with the several Lunacy Boards, the proportions payable by the Districts so far as situated in the County being as follows:—

(1 Lanark Lunacy District, ... £15,454 1 1
(2) Glasgow Lunacy District, ... £550 4 4
(3) Govan Lunacy District, ... £14 19 5

Equivalent Grant.—Request by Motherwell Public Library for contribution.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from the Librarian, Motherwell Public Library, of date 9th September, applying again for a grant towards the purchase of educational books for the Library. The Clerk having reminded the meeting that a grant of £25 had been made last year to the Library, it was, after consideration, agreed to recommend the County Council that a grant of the same amount be made out of this year's equivalent grant, subject to the consent of the Secretary for Scotland being obtained.

Equivalent Grant.—Proposal by Lower Ward District Committee to light certain highways.

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward, of date 22nd September, 1913, containing a proposal by the District Committee to apply a portion of their share of the equivalent grant towards (1) the lighting of the portion of Cumbernauld Road between the Millerston and Stepps and the Chryston and Muirhead Special Lighting Districts, including one new lamp, at an estimated cost of £28; and (2) the lighting of the portion of Shettleston Road outwith the North Shettleston Lighting District between Blackcroft Road and the District boundary at Barrachnie, at an estimated cost of £9 11s.

The meeting approved of the proposal, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Secretary for Scotland, with a view to obtaining his consent thereto as a Scheme of Public Utility, in terms of Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Education, &c., Account (Scotland) Act, 1892.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that contributions be made out of the grant to—

(1) Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses, £100;

(2) The Lanarkshire Association for Nurses, £50;

and that these contributions, together with the contributions already agreed to by the committee to be given to (*a*) the Glasgow Veterinary College (Incorporated), and (*b*) the Motherwell Public Library above referred to, be appropriated out of the grant, subject to the approval of the County Council and to the consent of the Secretary for Scotland.

Allocation of Grant.

The meeting thereafter, assuming the approval of the County Council and the consent of the Secretary for Scotland, agreed that the grant be allocated as follows.

ALLOCATION OF EQUIVALENT GRANT, £11,881 7s.

Contribution to the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute for Nurses, ...	£100 0 0		
Do. Lanarkshire Association for Nurses, ...	50 0 0		
Do. Glasgow Veterinary College, Incorporated, ...	78 15 0		
Do. Motherwell Public Library, ...	25 0 0		
		£253 15 0	
	Valuation.		
Upper Ward—for Highways, ...	£364,466 0 0	2,270 19 5	
Middle Ward—for Public Health, ...	1,279,650 0 0	7,973 8 8	
Lower Ward— do., ...	221,988 0 0	1,383 3 11	
	£1,866,104 0 0	£11,881 7 0	

Application by Kibble Institution, Paisley, for subscription towards emigration expenses of boy, James Murray.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Governor of Kibble Institution, Paisley, stating that with regard to a boy—James Murray—who belonged to Bellshill, and had been committed to the Institution in 1908, his time in the Institution would soon be up; that he desired to emigrate to Australia, and intimating a request for a subscription of £10 towards the boy's emigration expenses. The meeting, after consideration, agreed that this sum should be given.

Superannuation allowance to Mr. Robert Ross, Peterhead Prison, formerly of Airdrie Prison.

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Secretary, Prison Commission for Scotland, of date 10th September, stating that the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury have awarded a superannuation allowance of £74 16s. 7d. per annum to Mr. Robert Ross, late First-Class

Warder, Peterhead Prison, and formerly of Airdrie Prison; that of this sum £2 4s. 3d. per annum is payable by the County Council as representating the late Prison Authority of South Lanark, and the balance by the Government. He pointed out that, under the provisions of the Act 50 and 51 Vict., C. 60, the Treasury had commuted this portion for a sum of £21 3s. 6d., of which £19 17s. 10d. was payable by this County Council. The meeting, after consideration, authorised the Clerk to make payment of the sum of £19 17s. 10d. above referred to.

Allowance to Assessors for preparing Supplementary Registers for County and Parish Council Elections.

In connection with the preparation of the Supplementary Registers for the triennial elections of County Council and Parish Councils, it was agreed that the allowance to the Assessors under the Registration of Voters Acts should be £300, being a reduction of £100 as compared with the allowance for previous registers, this reduction being in respect of the decrease in the Assessors' work consequent upon the passing of the Glasgow Boundaries Act.

Authority to destroy papers used at last County Council and Parish Council Elections.

The meeting granted authority to the Clerk to destroy the papers which were used at the last County Council and Parish Councils Elections.

Allocation of expenses opposing Bills and Orders, Session, 1912.

It was agreed that the expenses opposing Bills and Orders Session, 1912, referred to in the minutes of last meeting, should be apportioned as follows:—

Opposition to Glasgow Boundaries Bill—out of Glasgow Compensation Money;

Promotion of County of Lanark Tramways Bill—Highway (Middle Ward);

Opposition to Clyde Valley Electrical Power Order—General Purposes;

Promotion of Glasgow Water Charges Bill—General Purposes;

Opposition to Caledonian Railway Order—Public Health (Middle Ward);

Opposition to Glasgow Water Order—Public Health (Middle and Lower Wards, in equal proportions).

Draft Report and Estimates.

The Clerk having submitted a draft report of the committee to the County Council, having appended to it the estimates which had been laid before the last meeting of the committee, and having stated certain alterations which had been made upon the draft estimates since then, the meeting having made further adjustments thereon, approved of the draft report and estimates, and authorised the chairman of the committee to sign the report, and instructed the same, along with the estimates, to be laid before the meeting of the County Council to be held on 9th current.

APPENDIX. I.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON GLASGOW COMPENSATION MONIES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 3rd September, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee appointed in connection with the allocation of the Compensation Money received from the Corporation of Glasgow under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912. — 3rd September, 1913.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. | WILLIAM SPEIRS.
WILLIAM NEILSON. | JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Mr. Neilson in the chair. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted statements (Appendices A, B, C, D) which he had prepared for the information of the Committee. He submitted also two letters from the Clerk to the Lower Ward District Committee, one stating that "the Estimates for Highways and Public Health have been made up irrespective of contributions to be received from the Glasgow Boundaries Act Compensation Fund, and I was instructed to communicate with you as to these contributions;" and the other making application for "a grant from the Compensation Fund received under the Glasgow Boundaries Act to meet a deficit of £31 19s. 4d. in the account for stair and court lighting in the North Shettleston Lighting District for the current year." — *Statements submitted by Clerk.* *Letters submitted from Clerk to Lower Ward District Committee.*

The Sub-Committee, having gone through and discussed the statements, agreed to recommend that the sum of £82,500, received by the County Council as compensation under Section 37 (2) of the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, be allocated and applied on the basis of these statements. — *Statements discussed.* *Sub-Committee's recommendations and allocations.*

That is—

(1) That £12,694, the cost of the County Council's opposition to the Bill, be paid out of the principal sum. — *Costs, £12,694.*

(2) That the appropriate Capital Accounts be credited with the proportions (£20,976) of the several debts effeiring to the area added to the City as shown in Column 5 of Statement B. — *Debt, £20,976.*

(3) That the sum of £14,500, received in respect of the expenditure to be incurred on new Police and Fire Stations, be credited to a special account to be used so far as required for the purposes for which it was received. — *New Police and Fire Stations, £14,500.*

(4) That the sum of £5,625, received in respect of the increased cost of policing the Lower Ward District, be credited to a special account to be used up in equal annual instalments over a period of 12½ years towards meeting the expenditure in respect of which the payment was received, or in such other way as the County Council may from time to time determine. — *Extra cost of policing Lower Ward, £5,625.*

(5) That the sum of £3,375, received in respect of the increased cost of policing the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward, be credited to a special account to be used up in equal annual instalments over a period of 12½ years towards meeting the expenditure in respect of which the payment was received, or in such other way as the County Council may from time to time determine. — *Extra cost of policing Airdrie District, £3,375.*

Continuing Expenditure, £30,205.

(6) That the balance of £30,205, received as applicable to continuing administrative expenses as shown in Statement C, be funded as compensation money to be used up in equal annual instalments over a period of 12½ years towards meeting the expenditure in respect of which the payment was received, or in such other way as the County Council may from time to time determine.

Total,	*£87,375*
Less share of County Reserve Monies,	*4,875*
	£82,500

(7) That the sum of £4,875, being the share of the County Reserve Monies effeiring to the County area annexed to the City, be transferred from the appropriate account for the purposes of this allocation.

The Sub-Committee, after consideration, also resolved to recommend—

Sub-Committee's further recommendations.
1/25th of sum received for continuing expenditure be included in Accounts for year 1912-13.

(8) That $\frac{1}{25}$th of the principal sums in Column 2 of Statement D (Continuing Expenditure) be included in the Accounts of the year 1912-13, being for the half-year from Martinmas, 1912.

That 2/25ths and interest be included in Estimates for 1913-14.

(9) That the remaining $\frac{2}{25}$ths of the said principal sums, together with the year's interest, as shown in Column 3, be credited to the appropriate Rate Accounts in the Estimates for 1913-14.

That rates be as shown in Column 7 of Statement D.

(10) That the rates for the current year in respect of the branches of expenditure specified in Statement D be as shown in Column 7 of that Statement, with the following exceptions, viz:—

Exceptions.

That the highways rate of the Lower Ward be 8d., and that the Public Health Rate of the said Ward be reduced by a further Grant from the Compensation Fund.

Grant given to meet deficiency in North Shettleston Lighting District Account.

With regard to the application of the Lower Ward District Committee for a grant to meet a deficit of £31 19s. 4d. in the Account for Stair and Court Lighting in the North Shettleston Lighting District for the current year, it was agreed to recommend that such a Grant should be given, but that it should be taken out of the Lighting District's share (£298) of the sum funded to meet continuing expenditure.

Appendix A.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912.

NOTES ON THE COMPENSATION MONEY RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL UNDER SECTION 37 (2).

The Amount received was		£82,500
The certified Expenditure of the County Council was		£12,694
The Debt effeiring to the Area added to the City amounted, as per separate Statement "B," to	£20,976	
Less the added Area's share of the County Reserve Monies, ...	4,875	16,101
There was Ear-marked—		
For new Police and Fire Stations, ...	£14,500	
For the increased cost of policing the Lower Ward, ...	5,625	
For the increased cost of policing the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward, ...	3,375	23,500
The balance being in respect of continuing administrative expenditure, as per Satement "C,"		30,205
		£82,500

Appendix B.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912.

STATEMENT SHOWING (ON THE BASIS OF THE FIGURES USED IN LONDON DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS) THE DEBT EFFEIRING TO THE LANARKSHIRE ADMINISTRATIVE AREA ADDED TO THE CITY UNDER THE ABOVE ACT.

1 Account.	2 Valuation of District liable for Debt, 1911-12.	3 Capital obligations at 15th May, 1912.	4 Valuation of area annexed.	5 Proportion of debt effeiring thereto.
	£	£	£	£
1. Police, General, ...	2,137,995	5,642	121,367	320
2. Do., Lower Ward, ...	—	1,181	—	1,181
Note.—As the County Police Stations within the added area were taken over by the city, and the County Council had no further interest in them, it was agreed that the debt outstanding should be paid in full by the Corporation.				
3. County General Assessment, ...	3,109,578	2,000	1,021,081	657
4. Public Health, General, ...	1,939,546	2,969	121,367	186
5. Inebriate Reformatory, ...	1,939,546	5,103	121,367	319
6. Fire Brigades, ...	1,939,546	9,669	121,367	605
7. Barony Drainage, ...	116,734	7,090	92,002	5,588
8. Do. (Purification Works, South), ...	64,478	8,013	59,929	7,448
9. Linthouse Lighting, ...	23,565	44	23,565	44
10. Shettleston and Tollcross Lighting,	104,919	359	91,970	315
11. Do. do. Scavenging,	101,865	4,726	90,068	4,179
12. Do. do. Electric Lighting (Expenses of Order),	101,739	150	90,619	134
				£20,976

Appendix C.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912.

STATEMENT SHOWING (ON THE BASIS OF THE FIGURES USED IN LONDON DURING NEGOTIATIONS) THE ALLOCATION OF THAT PROPORTION OF THE COMPENSATION MONEY RECEIVED FROM THE CORPORATION OF GLASGOW IN RESPECT OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURE.

Amount, ... £30,205.

	Continuing Expenditure Capitalised at 12½ Years
Police—General, ...	£714
Do. Lower Ward, ...	4,047
County—General, ...	10,472
Diseases of Animals, ...	1,606
General Purposes, ...	4,165
Roads—Lower Ward, ...	1,119
Public Health—General, ...	1,488
Do. Lower Ward, ...	5,355
Inebriate Reformatory—Lower Ward, ...	47
Barony Drainage, ...	298
Do. (Purification Works, South), ...	298
Shettleston Lighting, ...	298
Do. Scavenging, ...	298
	£30,205

Appendix D.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

GLASGOW BOUNDARIES ACT, 1912.

STATEMENT SHOWING EFFECT ON THE ESTIMATES FOR 1913-14, ON THE BASIS OF THE SUMS RECEIVED IN RESPECT OF (*A*) CONTINUING EXPENDITURE, AND (*B*) THE INCREASED COST OF POLICING THE COUNTY, BEING FUNDED AND USED UP OVER A PERIOD OF 12½ YEARS FROM MARTINMAS, 1912, WHICH WAS THE PERIOD FROM WHICH THE COMPENSATION WAS CALCULATED.

	1 Valuation.	2 ⅘ths of Principal Sum.	3 Year's Interest.	4 Together.	5 Equal to a Rate of	6 Rate at present in Draft Estimates.	7 Rate after applying col. 5.	8 Last year's Rate.	9 Increase or Decrease. Increase.	Decrease.
Police, Lower Ward, ...	Own., 217,000 Occ., 196,000	1,162	291	1,453	$1\frac{182}{120}$d.	$4\frac{50}{120}$d.	$2\frac{88}{120}$d.	$3\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{2}{120}$d.
Police, Airdrie District, ...	Own., 329,000 Occ., 303,000	405	101	506	$\frac{46}{120}$d.	$4\frac{75}{120}$d.	$4\frac{29}{120}$d.	$3\frac{75}{120}$d.	$\frac{74}{120}$d.	—
County General Assessment, ...	Own., 2,160,800 Occ., 1,925,000	1,261	315	1,576	$\frac{22}{120}$d.	North, $\frac{113}{120}$d. South, $\frac{111}{120}$d.	$\frac{91}{120}$d. $\frac{89}{120}$d.	$\frac{81}{120}$d. $\frac{89}{120}$d.	$\frac{10}{120}$d. —	— —
Diseases of Animals, ...	Own., 2,160,000 Occ., 1,925,000	193	48	241	$\frac{4}{120}$d.	$\frac{26}{120}$d.	$\frac{22}{120}$d.	$\frac{10}{120}$d.	$\frac{12}{120}$d.	—
General Purposes, ...	Own., 2,160,000 Occ., 1,925,000	502	125	627	$\frac{8}{120}$d.	$\frac{78}{120}$d.	$\frac{70}{120}$d.	$\frac{58}{120}$d.	$\frac{12}{120}$d.	—
Highways, Lower Ward, ...	Own., 217,000 Occ., 196,000	135	34	169	$\frac{24}{120}$d.	8d.	$7\frac{96}{120}$d.	$6\frac{3}{4}$d.	$1\frac{6}{120}$d.	—
Public Health, Lower Ward, ...	Own., 217,000 Occ., 196,000	645	161	806	$\frac{112}{120}$d.	5d.	$4\frac{8}{120}$d.	$3\frac{1}{2}$d.	$\frac{68}{120}$d.	—
Barony Drainage, ...	Own., 26,200 Occ., 24,000	36	9	45	$\frac{52}{120}$d.	2d.	$1\frac{68}{120}$d.	$2\frac{90}{120}$d.	—	$1\frac{22}{120}$d.
Do. Purification Works (South),	Own., 66,000 Occ., 62,800	36	9	45	$\frac{20}{120}$d.	3d.	$2\frac{100}{120}$d.	3d.	—	$\frac{20}{120}$d.
Shettleston Lighting, ...	Own., 14,500 Occ., 13,000	36	9	45	$\frac{94}{120}$d.	$3\frac{1}{2}$d.	$2\frac{86}{120}$d.	$2\frac{1}{2}$d.	$\frac{26}{120}$d.	—
Do. Scavenging, ...	Occ., 13,200 Own., 12,000	36	9	45	$\frac{102}{120}$d.	$5\frac{1}{2}$d.	$4\frac{8}{120}$d.	$6\frac{1}{2}$d.	—	$1\frac{102}{120}$d.

1st October, 1913.

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APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

HOUSE LETTING AND RATING (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1911.

MINUTE OF MEETING of the undernoted COLLECTORS OF PARISH RATES, convened by Mr. THOMAS MUNRO, County Clerk, and held within the COUNTY COUNCIL ROOMS, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW, on *Wednesday, 3rd September*, 1913.

Present—

Parish.	Collector.
Carluke, ...	Mr. ALEX. COLQUHOUN.
Crawford, ...	Mr. EDWARD KERR.
Lanark, ...	Mr. JOHN SKINNER.
Lesmahagow, ...	Mr. WALTER BURNETT.
Avondale, ...	Mr. ALEX. WILSON.
Blantyre, ...	Mr. A. B. MAXWELL.
Bothwell, ...	Mr. ROBERT ANDERSON.
Cambuslang, ...	Mr. PETER M'LEAN.
Dalserf, ...	Mr. ROBERT NICOL.
Dalziel, ...	Mr. WILLIAM KING.
New Monkland, ...	Mr. JOHN BENSON.
Old Monkland, ...	Mr. HUGH WALLACE (Collector).
	Mr. H. BROWN (Clerk).
Shotts, ...	Mr. A. GILLIES (Assistant).
Cadder, ...	Mr. JAMES M'LELLAND.

Apologies were intimated from Mr. William Calderhead, Cambusnethan, and Mr. Robert Lawrie, Carnwath.

Object of calling Conference.

Mr. Munro explained that he had taken the liberty of convening the Conference in view of representations made to him that it might be advantageous to have, in the first instance, a meeting of Parish Collectors with a view to the ascertainment of the general experience of the working of the Act in this County, and that if it were then found that there were differences of opinion on questions of policy, the meeting could consider the expediency of having another Conference of Parish Councils and the County Council, such as was held last summer.

Mr. Munro added that, thanks largely to the considerate co-operation of the Parish Councils and their Collectors, the result had been in his opinion to secure a uniformity of procedure that had saved Owners and Factors much trouble, had ensured a continuance of relief to poor persons, and had made generally for the smoother working of the Act.

Recommendations of last year's Conference gone over seriatim.

The meeting then went over *seriatim* the recommendations of last summer's Conference, and a general discussion and exchange of opinion and experience ensued.

Recommended that the co-operation of County and Parish Authorities should continue.

It was the unanimous opinion of the meeting that the recommendations of the Conference had worked well, and that it should be recommended that the co-operation of the County and Parish Authorities should continue.

Meeting of opinion that dates for lodging Owners' Claims should be altered from 20th May and 15th August, to 20th and 21st May.

The only change that the meeting were of opinion should be made on the recommendations of last year's Conference was that the dates for lodging Owners Claims for repayment under Section 7 (3) should be altered from 20th May and 15th August to 20th and 21st May.

And that Claims should be for full year, from 15th May to 15th May.

It was explained that it had been found from experience that the first of the two dates fixed by the Conference for lodging Claims, viz., 20th May, for the period from 15th May to 30th April, would have permitted of the Claims for the whole year, 15th May to 15th May, having been received and checked, and that accordingly the second date (15th August), for the period from 1st to 15th May, could have been dispensed with.

Proposed change acceptable to Owners and Factors as well as to Rating Authorities.

With one exception, the meeting endorsed the view that one date would be sufficient, and were further of opinion that the proposed change would be acceptable to Owners and Factors as well as to the Rating Authorities.

Meeting agreed to recommend their constituents to fix 20th and 21st May as the statutory dates for lodging claims.

The attention of the meeting having been drawn to the terms of the statute with regard to the fixing of dates for the lodgment of Claims, and a discussion having followed as to the competency of limiting the lodging of Claims to one date, it was thought that the difficulty would be got over by selecting two dates so close to each other as to mean practically one period for lodging the year's claims, and the meeting unanimously agreed to recommend that the dates should be as above-mentioned, 20th and 21st May.

No Claims to be entertained unless lodged within the prescribed periods.

It was also agreed to recommend that, whatever may have been the practice for the first year, it should be made clear that in future no Claims would be considered that were not lodged within the prescribed statutory dates.

Mr. Munro to prepare the current year's forms.

The meeting having thereafter gone through the forms in use last year, Mr. Munro undertook to prepare the forms for the current year, and to send the required quantities to each Parish Council.

Opinion expressed that Rating Authorities should have the right to demand access to the books of Owners and Factors for purpose of checking Claims.

As arising out of the general discussion on the operation of the House Letting Act, it was agreed to minute that, in the opinion of the meeting, the Legislature should take advantage of the first opportunity that presents itself to give the Rating Authorities the right to demand access to the books of Owners or Factors for the purpose of checking Claims.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

HOUSE LETTING AND RATING (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1911.

ABSTRACT OF OWNERS' CLAIMS AS ALLOWED UNDER SECTION 7 (3) FOR YEAR 1912-13.

Parish.	Number of Claims.	Number of Entries in Claims.	Number of Payments.	Gross amount of Assessments Refunded.	Total amount of Owners' Allowance Deducted.	Net Amount Paid.
Avondale,	39	144	37	£36 3 7	£0 18 0	£35 5 7
Blantyre,	115	751	51	155 6 5	3 17 1	151 9 4
Bothwell,	193	842	153	242 8 11	6 0 9	236 8 2
Cadder,	54	222	43	31 14 4½	0 15 3½	30 19 1
Cambusnethan,	112	569	81	15 11 1½	0 7 10¼	15 3 3
Cambuslang,	172	1007	59	246 11 6	6 2 6	240 9 0
Carluke,	78	181	69	51 17 7½	1 5 11½	50 11 8
Carmunnock,	3	9	3	1 0 10	0 0 8	1 6 2
Carnwath,	7	9	7	3 9 3½	0 1 7½	3 7 8
Dalserf,	82	379	69	103 4 2½	2 11 6½	100 12 8
Dalziel,	128	881	86	28 8 9½	0 13 10½	27 14 11
Douglas,	9	29	9	6 13 5	3 3 3	6 10 2
East Kilbride,	39	125	32	33 7 11	0 16 8	32 11 3
Glasgow,	25	125	17	16 9 5½	0 7 10½	16 1 7
Lesmahagow,	47	142	46	35 4 11	0 17 4	34 7 7
Old Monkland,	52	211	36	40 15 11½	0 19 10½	39 6 1
Rutherglen,	27	171	14	21 4 2	0 10 3	20 13 11
Shotts,	17	25	17	13 19 6	0 6 10	13 12 8
Stonehouse,	44	103	42	35 9 3	0 17 5	34 11 10
	1240	5025	871	£1,129 7 3	£27 14 8	£1,091 12 7

ANALYSIS.

Empty property, ...	... £353 2 3	= 32 °/₀	Of gross amount refunded.
Exemptions refunded, ...	... 597 10 8	= 53 °/₀	
Lost rent, ...	... 168 14 4	= 15 °/₀	
	£1,129 7 3		

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

RATES 1912-13.

STATEMENT showing the amount gained in Rates as undernoted by the County Council in the year 1912-13 as compared with 1911-12.

(A) *Through the operation of the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1911, after giving effect to the Owners' Claims for repayment, under Section 7 (3).*

	1911-12.	1912-13.	Gain 1912-13.	
1. *Occupiers* Assessments relieved on appeal,	£1,453	£1,033	£420	
2. *Occupiers'* Assessments written off as irrecoverable, ...	2,443	567	1,876	
3. Cost of collecting *Occupiers'* arrears (on basis of previous years), ...	924	314	610	
4. Gain through being able to assess to Occupiers' rates property entered in Valuation Roll as empty, but subsequently let, ...	—	265	265	
			£3,171	
5. Deduct Owners' allowances, ...			285	
Gain, ...				£2,886

(B) *Under the new system of collection.*

6. Inclusive Commission that would have been paid to Collectors and Sheriff Officers had there been no change in system of collection, ...	£2,841	
7. Cost of new system, ...	1,721	
Gain, ...		1,120
Note.—To get the true result of the combined gain under the above heads (A) and (B) the item (No. 3) of £314 falls to be added hereto, for the reason that the total cost of the collection of arrears for 1912-13 is included in item 7, ...		314
Combined gain, ...		£4,320

October, 1913.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT MEETING *re* AIRDRIE COURT HOUSES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 3rd September, 1913, being a Joint-Meeting of Representatives of the Airdrie Court House Commissioners and of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee, appointed in connection with the proposed additions to and alterations of the Sheriff Court Houses. 3rd September, 1913.

Present—

Sheriff LEE. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
DAVID THOMSON.

Attending—

JAMES THOMSON and ALEXANDER THOMSON, Architects.
J. DUNN RUSSELL, Clerk to the Sheriff Court House Commissioners.

Sheriff Lee in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 15th ultimo, from the Architects, transmitting the offers received for the additions and alterations proposed to be carried out at the Court Houses, together with a list thereof, and the meeting, having gone over the several offers, agreed to accept the following, viz.:— *Offers for additions and alterations at Sheriff Court Houses.* *Offers accepted.*

Digger, Mason, and Brick Work—	
James Alexander & Son, Airdrie, ...	£2,087 17 5
Carpenter, Joiner, and Ironmongery Work—	
Shanks & Motherwell, Airdrie, ...	1,055 1 11
Slater Work—	
Wm. A. Henderson, Airdrie, ...	48 8 0
Plaster Work—	
Andrew W. Bell, Airdrie, ...	260 15 2
Plumber, Drainage, and Gasfitter Work—	
George Ferguson, Airdrie, ...	557 6 7
Painter Work—	
Thomas Armour, Airdrie, ...	160 17 3
Wall-Tiling Work—	
Robert Brown & Son, Ltd., Paisley, ...	155 8 6
Electric Lighting Work—	
J. B. M'Indoe, Coatbridge, ...	99 12 10
Heating—	
Allowance for alterations, ...	36 11 10
Making a total cost of	£4,461 19 6

Clerk instructed to communicate with H.M. Office of Works as to increase of offers on original estimate.

The meeting, in view of the fact that the amount of the offers was considerably in excess of the original estimate, namely, £3,500, instructed the Clerk, before intimating acceptance of the offers, to communicate with H.M. Office of Works, and to explain that, in the view of the Committee, the increased cost was to a great extent accounted for by the increase in the cost of material and of labour which had occurred in the interval.

The meeting was further of opinion that the offers should be accepted with the least possible delay, in case of a further advance in prices, and the Clerk was instructed to request H.M. Office of Works to expedite consideration of the matter.

Encroachment on Court House feu by buildings belonging to Town Council.

The Clerk to the Court House Commissioners having referred to an encroachment on the Court House feu by a portion of the buildings belonging to the Town Council, and certain alterations which would require to be made in the drainage arrangements, the meeting requested him to communicate with the Town Council in regard to these matters.

Clerk of Works.

The meeting agreed to advertise for a Clerk of Works, and remitted to the Chairman and Mr. Thomson to make an appointment.

JOINT MEETING *RE* AIRDRIE COURT HOUSES.

1st October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st October, 1913, being a Joint-Meeting of Representatives of the Airdrie Court House Commissioners and of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee appointed in connection with the proposed additions and alterations at the Sheriff Court Houses.

Present—

Sheriff Lee.
Provost Orr.
William Neilson.
Dugald Rankine.
David Thomson.

Attending—

J. Dunn Russell, Clerk to the Sheriff Court-House Commissioners.
James Thomson and Alexander Thomson, Architects.

Chairman.

Sheriff Lee in the Chair.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the joint-committee, of date 3rd September, which had been printed and sent to each member of the joint-committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Communication from Town Council of Airdrie. — Representatives of Town Council in attendance.

The Clerk to the Court House Commissioners stated that, as instructed at last meeting, he had written to the Town Council of Airdrie in regard to the encroachment on the Court House feu, and also to the matter of the drainage arrangements, and that, in reply, he had received a letter from the Town-Clerk expressing a desire on behalf of the Town Council for a meeting with the joint-committee. He further stated that he had, after consulting with the County Clerk, invited representatives of the Town Council to be in attendance.

Thereafter there were introduced, as representing the Town Council, in addition to Provost Orr, Bailies Frew and Reid, along with Mr. M'Murdo, Depute Town-Clerk. *Representatives introduced.*

Provost Orr explained that, so far as regards the two matters referred to in the letter of the Clerk to the Court House Commissioners, the Town Council would raise no objection to the necessary alterations being carried out, but that as the light of the library would be seriously obstructed by the proposed addition to the Court Houses, they wished to represent to the joint-committee the desirability of some means being devised whereby this result might be avoided, or at least rendered less serious. *Statement by Provost Orr as to proposed additions to Court Houses.*

After discussion, and certain suggestions having been made, the chairman informed the representatives of the Town Council that their representation would be most carefully considered, and that the joint-committee would endeavour to meet the views of the Town Council so far as reasonably practicable. *Representation of Town Council to be carefully considered.*

The representatives of the Town Council having withdrawn, the Clerk stated that he would consider and report as to whether the County Council could meet the cost of carrying out certain alterations which had been suggested by way of meeting the views expressed on behalf of the Town Council. *Clerk to consider as to whether County Council can meet expenses of carrying out certain alterations.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication which he had received from Mr. Galletly, of H.M. Office of Works, and which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Communication from H. M. Office of Works.*

"H.M. Office of Works,
"30 Chalmers Street,
"Edinburgh, 20th September, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"AIRDRIE SHERIFF COURT HOUSE.—ALTERATIONS.

"Referring to your communication addressed to Mr. Oldrieve, of date 5th September, 1913, I have now looked over the schedules which accompanied your letter.

"I notice that you mention that it was decided at the joint-committee meeting of the County Council and the Airdrie Court House Commissioners to accept certain tenders. It is observed, however, that the tender of Mr. Andrew Bell for the plaster work is not the lowest tender for that work, but that Mr. A. Black's tender is lower than Mr. Bell's by a few shillings. It would appear that a mistake in pricing the items for cement plaster has occurred in Mr. Black's tender, and presumably the Architects have on that account recommended Mr. Bell's tender for acceptance.

"The total cost of the structure, according to the estimates proposed to be accepted, amounts to £4,462 approximately.

"To this will fall to be added the cost of fittings and furniture, estimated by your Architects at £160; also the Architect's and Measurer's fees and Clerk of Works salary. These latter, it is thought, will amount to, approximately, £380 in all.

"The painter work schedule contains items costing, approximately, £26, which are not part of the new works, and are properly chargeable to maintenance, which is already covered by the Government grant for upkeep.

"The total cost may therefore be taken as follows:—

Contract, including variations, amounting to £108 for contingencies, ...	£4,462
Deduct £26 worth of painter work chargeable to maintenance, ...	26
	£4,436
Add Architect's and Measurer's fees and Clerk of Works salary, say, ...	380
Add estimated cost of furniture, ...	160
Total, ...	£4,976

"This cost is a long way in excess of the original estimate submitted to the Treasury, and should you desire to ask the Treasury to contribute further than the moiety amounting to £1,750, it will be necessary again for you to approach their lordships through the Secretary for Scotland.

"If you elect to make such further application, perhaps it would be well first to ascertain from the Architects if any savings can be effected by substituting other materials for those already tendered for, or by making any omissions if such are possible.

"I return herewith the drawings and tenders which accompanied your letter.

"Yours faithfully,

"J. T. GALLETLY."

The Architect explained that, as the estimated cost of the furniture was included in the contract for the joiner work, Mr. Galletly had made a mistake in including it as a separate item, and that accordingly the sum brought out by Mr. Galletly should be £4,816 instead of £4,976.

Sub-Committee appointed to interview Mr. Oldrieve and Mr. Galletly of H. M. Office of Works.

The meeting, having considered Mr. Galletly's letter, agreed to remit, with full powers, to the following sub-committee to meet with Mr. Oldrieve and Mr. Galletly, of H.M. Office of Works, with a view to an understanding being come to, viz.:—Messrs. Dugald Rankine, David Thomson, the County Clerk, the Clerk to the Court House Commissioners, and the Architects.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Elections Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th June, 1913.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
W. M. Marshall.
William Neilson.
William Speirs.
William Sym.
James C. Hope Vere.

There were also present Messrs. J. P. Baird and James Anderson.

In the absence of Colonel King Stewart, Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Hope Vere was appointed to the Chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting the remit to the committee made by the County Council at their Statutory Meeting held on 8th May. *Remit to committee.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting :—

(1) Statement (Appendix I.) relative to the number of Parish Councillors in the several Parishes in the County, and

(2) Statement (Appendix II.) showing the existing constitution of Parish Councils and containing also a description of optional Wards formed under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894,

copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

With regard to proposed alterations of parish wards, the Clerk stated that apart from such alterations as may be necessary consequent upon the alteration of the County Council Electoral Divisions, the only case where a suggestion had been made for an alteration was that of the Parish of Carnwath, but he submitted and read a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the Carnwath Parish Council, of date 2nd current, stating that at the last meeting of the Parish Council no decision had been arrived at, and that the matter had meantime been departed from. *Parish Wards.—Letter from Clerk to Carnwath Parish Council.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Local Government Board, which was in the following terms, viz. :— *Parish Wards.—Govan Parish Council.—Letter from Local Government Board.*

"Local Government Board,
"Edinburgh, 2nd June, 1913.

"Sir,

PARISH WARDS.—GOVAN PARISH COUNCIL.

"Referring to my letter of 26th March last, I am now directed to send you copy of an Order of the Board, by which they provide that the Parish Council

of Govan shall conduct the Parish Council Election for that portion of the Parish situated outwith the Burgh of Glasgow, but within the County of Lanark, in the same manner as if the aforesaid portion formed part of the nearest parish ward.

"I am to add, with reference to your letter of 12th ultimo, that there appears to be no reason why the Parish Council should not appoint a representative to the District Committee for the non-burghal area of the parish.

"I am, &c.,

"(Signed) DAVID BROWN,
"*Assistant Secretary.*"

A copy of the Order referred to in the above communication forms Appendix III to this minute.

Proposal to increase number of Parish Councillors for Dalserf.

With regard to proposals for the increase of the number of Parish Councillors, there was submitted a recommendation by the Parish Council of Dalserf that the number of Parish Councillors should be increased from 13 to 15, and that five members be allotted to each of the three Wards into which the Parish will be divided, *i.e.*, assuming that the proposal of the County Council for the division of the Parish into three Electoral Divisions is approved by the Secretary for Scotland.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed, subject as above, that the number of Parish Councillors be fixed at 15, and that 5 members be allotted to each Ward, as recommended by the Parish Council, and resolved to recommend to the Local Government Board accordingly.

Proposal to increase number of Parish Councillors for Cambuslang.

There was also submitted a request by the Parish Council of Cambuslang that the number of Parish Councillors for that Parish be increased from 16 to 17, and that the additional Councillor be allotted to the North Ward of the Parish. The Clerk stated that the Parish was at present divided into three Wards, each being an Electoral Division as follows :—

	Estimated Population.	No. of Parish Councillors.
1. North Ward, ...	8,500	5
2. South ,, ...	8,500	6
3. Hallside ,, ...	7,850	5
	24,850	16

The meeting agreed to the proposal of the Parish Council, and fixed the number of Parish Councillors at 17, subject to the approval of the Local Government Board.

Proposal to increase number of Parish Councillors for Blantyre.

The Clerk stated that he had also received a communication from the Parish Council of Blantyre intimating a request for an increase of Parish Councillors from 13 to 15, but that this had been made on the assumption that the Parish would be divided into three Electoral Divisions and three Parish Wards instead of two as at present. In view, however, of the County Council having decided that the existing division of the Parish should remain, the Blantyre Parish Council had withdrawn their request for an increase of the number of Councillors.

Lower Ward Electoral Divisions.

With regard to the proposed arrangement of the Electoral Divisions of the Lower Ward, the Clerk stated that on further investigation, and after a survey of the district, it was found to be hardly practicable to so enlarge the Lenzie Parish Ward as to embrace a population which would justify its being formed into a separate Electoral Division. The meeting, having considered alternative suggestions, expressed the view that as the best way of meeting the difficulty in the existing Possil Electoral Division might be allowed to remain as it is, and that the existing Bishopbriggs Electoral Division be divided into two divisions, and it was remitted to the Clerk to have a map prepared giving effect to this proposal.

It was, however, agreed that before coming to a final determination in the matter, the members of the committee should have an opportunity of further considering it, and, if thought necessary, of inspecting the district, and that, meantime, the County Council be recommended to remit to the committee powers to make the alteration suggested, subject to such modification as may seem to the committee to be necessary or advisable.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1894.

STATEMENT RELATIVE TO NUMBER OF PARISH COUNCILLORS IN THE SEVERAL PARISHES IN THE COUNTY.

The number of Parish Councillors is regulated according to the population of the respective Parishes, and the scheme which was framed by the Local Government Board at the passing of the Act fixed the numbers as follows, viz.:—

Population.	Number of Councillors.
Over 100,000, - - - - ...	31
„ 50,000 and under 100,000, ...	25 to 29
„ 30,000 „ 50,000, ...	21 to 25
„ 15,000 „ 30,000, ...	15 to 21
„ 7,000 „ 15,000, ...	11 to 15
„ 3,000 „ 7,000, ...	8 to 11
Under 3,000 - - - - ...	5 to 8

The following is a statement showing the population of the several Parishes in the County at the passing of the Act, the number of Councillors originally allotted, the present number of Councillors, and the population as at last census, viz.:—

UPPER WARD.

	Population, 1894.	No. of Councillors allotted, 1894.	Present No. of Councillors, 1913	Population according to last census.	No. of Councillors to which now entitled.
BIGGAR—					
Burgh	1,356	5	5	1,326	
Landward, ...	546	4 = 9	2 = 7	605	5 to 8
	1,902			1,931	
CARLUKE, ...	8,058	13	13	9,619	11 to 15
CARMICHAEL, ...	593	5	5	1,471	5 to 8
CARNWATH, ...	5·324	11	11	6,446	8 to 11
CARSTAIRS	1,977	7	7	1,878	5 to 8
COVINGTON AND THANKERTON,	396	5	5	385	5 to 8
CRAWFORD, ...	1,634	7	7	1,520	5 to 8
CRAWFORDJOHN, ...	789	5	5	617	5 to 8
CULTER, ...	420	5	5	372	5 to 8
DOLPHINTON, ...	248	5	5	245	5 to 8
DOUGLAS, ...	2,266	7	7	2,509	5 to 8
DUNSYRE, ...	191	5	5	175	5 to 8
LAMINGTON AND WANDELL,	305	5	5	271	5 to 8

	Population, 1894.	No. of Councillors allotted, 1894.	Present No. of Councillors, 1913.	Population according to last census.	No. of Councillors to which now entitled.
LANARK—					
Burgh (Parliamentary),	4,579	8	8	5,900	11 to 15
Landward, ...	2,531	7 15	7 15	3,078	
	7,110			8,978	
LESMAHAGOW, ...	9,752	15	15	11,990	11 to 15
LIBERTON, ...	486	5	5	461	5 to 8
PETTINAIN, ...	259	5	5	261	5 to 8
SYMINGTON, ...	432	5	5	420	5 to 8
WALSTON, ...	301	5	5	255	5 to 8
WISTON AND ROBERTON,	497	5	5	400	5 to 8
MIDDLE WARD.					
AVONDALE, ...	5,069	10	11	5,033	8 to 11
BLANTYRE, ...	11,352	13	13	16,821	15 to 21
BOTHWELL—					
Motherwell Police Burgh,	65	1	1	680	
Landward, ...	31,419	22 23	26 27	54,211	25 to 29
	31,484			54,891	
CAMBUSLANG, ...	15,364	16	16	24,864	15 to 21
CAMBUSNETHAN—					
Wishaw Police Burgh.	12,467	11	10	25,263	
Landward, ...	10,242	10 21	9 19	8,649	21 to 25
	22,709			33,912	
DALSERF, ...	11,325	13	13	18,629	15 to 21
DALZIEL—					
Motherwell Police Burgh,	15,076	12	15	39,700	
Wishaw do.	2,785	3 20	3 21	5,927	21 to 25
Landward, ...	1,343	5	3	1,866	
	19,204			47,503	
EAST KILBRIDE, ...	3,781	9	9	3,977	8 to 11
GLASFORD, ...	1,317	5	7	1,312	5 to 8
HAMILTON—					
Hamilton Burgh, ...	24,859	16	15	38,644	
Motherwell Police Burgh,	3,585	3 25	20		21 to 25
Landward, ...	6,712	6	5	7,775	
	35,156			46,419	
NEW MONKLAND—					
Airdrie Burgh, ...	19,135	14	14	24,388	
Coatbridge Burgh, ...	117	1 25	25		21 to 25
Landward, ...	14,608	10	11	13,728	
	33,860			38,116	

	Population, 1894.	No. of Councillors allotted, 1894.	Present No. of Councillors, 1913.	Population according to last census.	No. of Councillors to which now entitled.
OLD MONKLAND—					
Coatbridge Burgh, ...	29,917	15	16	43,286	25 to 29
Landward, ...	14,699	9 = 24	9 = 25	17,740	
	44,616			61,026	
SHOTTS, ...	11,957	13	15	18,433	15 to 21
STONEHOUSE, ...	3,400	8	9	3,688	8 to 11
LOWER WARD.					
GLASGOW—					
City of Glasgow, ...	295,323	27	27	542,183	
Landward.	14,489	4 = 31	4 = 31	35,376	31
	309,812			577,559	
CADDER, ...	8,232	13	15	14,433	11 to 15
CARMUNNOCK, ...	703	5	5	747	5 to 8
GOVAN—					
City of Glasgow, ...	171,940	17	18	204,723	
Govan Police Burgh, ...	61,363	6	7	89,605	
Partick do., ...	36,538	5 = 31	5 = 31	66,849	31
Kinning Park do., ...	13,679	2			
Landward, ...	2,761	1	1	2,394	
	286.281			363,571	
RUTHERGLEN—					
Rutherglen Burgh, ...	13,364	12	12	24,379	
Landward, ...	2,814	6 = 18	5 = 17	4,024	15 to 21
	16,178			28,403	

County Offices,
Hamilton, June, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

PARISH COUNCILS' ELECTIONS, 1910.

I.—Constitution of Parish Councils.

UPPER WARD.

Parish.	Parish Wards.	Number of Parish Councillors.	
BIGGAR,	(1) Police Burgh of Biggar,	5	
	(2) Biggar, Landward,	2	together 7
	(Three additional Members for Landward Committee.)		
CARLUKE,	(1) Carluke, East (Electoral Division),	6	
	(2) Carluke, West do.,	7	together 13
CARMICHAEL,			5
CARNWATH,	(1) Forth (Electoral Division),	6	
	(2) Carnwath, being remainder of Parish, and part of Carnwath Electoral Division,	5	together 11
CARSTAIRS,			7
COVINGTON AND THANKERTON,			5
CRAWFORD,	(1) Leadhills (Optional Ward),	3	
	(2) Crawford do.,	4	together 7
CRAWFORDJOHN,			5
CULTER,			5
DOLPHINTON,			5
DOUGLAS,			7
DUNSYRE,			5
LAMINGTON AND WANDELL,			5
LANARK,	(1) Royal Burgh of Lanark,	8	
	(2) Lanark, Landward,	7	together 15
LESMAHAGOW,	(1) Lesmahagow (Electoral Division),	7	
	(2) Kirkfieldbank do.,	4	
	(3) Blackwood do.,	4	together 15
LIBERTON,			5
PETTINAIN,			5
SYMINGTON,			5
WALSTON,			5
WISTON AND ROBERTON,			5

MIDDLE WARD.

Parish.	Parish Wards.	Number of Parish Councillors	
AVONDALE,	(1) Strathaven (Optional Ward),	7	
	(2) Avondale do.,	4	together 11
BLANTYRE,	(1) Stonefield (Electoral Division),	7	
	(2) High Blantyre do.,	6	together 13
BOTHWELL,	(1) Holytown Electoral Division or Parish Ward,	5	
	(2) Bellshill (East) do. do.,	4	
	(3) Bellshill (West) do. do.,	4	
	(4) Bothwell do. do.,	3	
	(5) Uddingston do. do.,	5	
	(6) Tannochside do. do.,	3	
	(7) Dalziel Parish Ward (part of Electoral Division),	2	
	(8) Burgh of Motherwell,	1	together 27
CAMBUSLANG,	(1) North Cambuslang Ward,	6	
	(2) South Cambuslang Ward,	6	
	(3) Hallside Ward,	5	together 17
CAMBUSNETHAN,	(1) Police Burgh of Wishaw, part of,	10	
	(2) Overton (Electoral Division),	3	
	(3) Newmains (Optional Ward),	4	
	(4) Stane do.,	2	together 19
DALSERF,	(1) Larkhall, North (Electoral Division),	5	
	Do., South do.,	5	
	(2) Dalserf, do.,	5	together 15
DALZIEL,	(1) Police Burgh of Motherwell,	15	
	(2) Police Burgh of Wishaw, part of,	3	
	(3) Dalziel (part of Electoral Division),	3	together 21
EAST KILBRIDE,	(1) East Kilbride (Optional Ward),	7	
	(2) Busby do.,	2	together 9
GLASFORD,			7
HAMILTON,	(1) Burgh of Hamilton,	15	
	(2) Hamilton (Electoral Division),	5	together 20
NEW MONKLAND,	(1) Burgh of Airdrie,	14	
	(2) New Monkland, North (Electoral Division),	5	
	(3) New Monkland, South (Electoral Division),	6	together 25
OLD MONKLAND,	(1) Burgh of Coatbridge,	16	
	(2) Old Monkland (Electoral Division),	3	
	(3) North Baillieston do.,	3	
	(4) South Baillieston do.,	3	together 25
SHOTTS,	(1) Dykehead (Optional Ward),	4	
	(2) Cleland do.,	4	
	(3) Harthill do.,	3	
	(4) Shotts Kirk do.,	2	
	(5) Caldercruix do.,	2	together 15
STONEHOUSE,			9

LOWER WARD.

Parish.	Parish Wards.			Number of Parish Councillors.	
GLASGOW,	Burghal, City of Glasgow,				
	Landward—				
	(1) Possil (Electoral Division),		1		
	(2) Millerston and Springburn	do.,	1		
	(3) North Shettleston	do.,	1		
	(4) South Shettleston	do.,	1		
			—	4	together 31
CADDER,	(1) Chryston (Optional Ward),			4	
	(2) Gartcosh	do.,		2	
	(3) Bishopbriggs	do.,		4	
	(4) Lenzie	do.,		2	
	(5) Stepps	do.,		2	
	(6) Possil	do.,		1	together 15
CARMUNNOCK,					5
GOVAN,	Burghal, viz. :—				
	City of Glasgow,		18		
	Police Burgh of Govan,		7		
	Do. Partick,		5		
			—	30	
	Landward,			1	together 31
	(Four additional Members for Landward Committee.)				
RUTHERGLEN,	Burgh of Rutherglen,			12	
	Landward,			5	together 17

The above List details only the Parish Wards in the Parishes, exclusive of Burghs and Police Burghs.

II.—Description of Optional Wards formed under Section 13 (4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894.

UPPER WARD.

CRAWFORD—

(1) Leadhills, being that part of Abington County Council Electoral Division which forms Leadhills Parliamentary Polling District;

(2) Crawford, being the remainder of the Parish of Crawford.

MIDDLE WARD.

AVONDALE—

(1) Strathaven, comprising that part of the Town of Strathaven and of the Parish of Avondale included within the Strathaven Special Drainage District;

(2) Avondale, being the remainder of the Parish of Avondale.

CAMBUSNETHAN—

(3) Newmains, being that part of Newmains County Council Electoral Division which forms Newmains Parliamentary Polling District;

(4) Stane, being that part of Newmains County Council Electoral Division which forms Stane Parliamentary Polling District.

EAST KILBRIDE—

(1) Busby Ward, being that part of the Parish included in Carmunnock, *quoad sacra*, viz. :—Commencing at a point where the Gill Burn joins the White Cart River, along said burn to the ford on the farm road leading from West End to Dripps; thence along the boundary of the Dripps Estate to Thortonhall Burn; thence along said burn to old Limekilns; thence in a north-westerly direction across the road leading from Dripps to Cadgerhill to the bridge over the Thortonhall Burn, situated on the road leading from Cadgerhill to Dripps; thence along said burn to the plantation between Busbyside and Peel farms; thence along said plantation in a north-easterly direction, including Byestone, across Busby and East Kilbride Road, to the Kittoch Water; thence in a north-westerly direction to the junction of said water with the White Cart River; thence along said river to the point of commencement; and

(2) East Kilbride Ward, being the remainder of the Parish of East Kilbride.

SHOTTS—

(1) Dykehead, being that part of Dykehead and Cleland County Council Electoral Division which forms Dykehead Parliamentary Polling District;

(2) Cleland, being that part of Dykehead and Cleland County Council Electoral Division which forms Cleland Parliamentary Polling District;

(3) Harthill, being that part of Harthill and Shotts Kirk County Council Electoral Division which forms Harthill Parliamentary Polling District;

(4) Shotts Kirk, being that part of Harthill and Shotts Kirk County Council Electoral Division which forms Shotts Kirk Parliamentary Polling District; and

(5) Caldercruix, being that part of Harthill and Shotts Kirk County Council Electoral Division which forms Caldercruix Parliamentary Polling District.

LOWER WARD.

CADDER—

(1) Possil, that part of the Bishopbriggs Electoral Division lying generally to the west of a line commencing at the corner of the Glasgow Parish boundary near Bishopbriggs School; thence in an easterly direction to the centre of the Kirkintilloch Road; thence generally in a north-easterly direction along the said road to the Cadder Road; thence in a north-westerly direction along the centre of the Cadder Road; thence still in a north-westerly direction along the south-west side of the private road leading to Cawder Cottage and the divisional fences bounding enclosures Nos. 166, 154, and 158 of the Ordnance Survey Map on the south-west and the continuation thereof to the county and parish boundary (the medium filum of the River Kelvin).

(2) Lenzie, that part of the Bishopbriggs Electoral Division lying generally to the east of a line commencing at the county and parish boundary at the south-west corner of enclosure No. 1208 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Kirkintilloch; thence in a southerly direction in a straight line across the North British Railway to the north-west corner of enclosure No. 771 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 771 and 772 to the centre of the Crosshill Road; thence along the centre of the said road to the prolongation of the western boundary of enclosure No. 823; thence in a southerly direction along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 823 and 822; thence along the southern boundary of last-mentioned enclosure and the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 843 and 1554 to the boundary of the said electoral division.

(3) Bishopbriggs, the remainder of the Bishopbriggs Electoral Division.

(4) Stepps, that part of the Chryston Electoral Division lying generally to the west of a line commencing at the boundary of the said electoral division at the north-east corner of enclosure No. 1581 of the Ordnance Survey Map; thence in a south-easterly direction along the east boundary of said enclosure to enclosure No. 1582 of said map; thence following the north and east boundaries of said last-mentioned enclosure to the Cult Burn; thence in a south-easterly direction by a straight line to the junction of the Whitehill Road with the service road to Hornshill Steading; thence following the fence at the side of the said road by the east side of Hornshill Steading

and across the Garnkirk Burn and by the west side of Garfield House policies to the centre of the Cumbernauld Road; thence in an easterly direction along the centre of the said road to a point in the continuation of the eastern boundary of enclosure No. 1739 of said map; thence in a southerly direction to the last-mentioned boundary and along it to the boundary of the said electoral division.

(5) Gartcosh, that part of Chryston Electoral Division lying generally to the south-east of a line commencing at a point in the Glasgow Parish boundary at the north-west corner of enclosure No. 1816 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence generally in an easterly and north-easterly direction to Johnston Loch following the south side of the burn; thence along the south-eastern side of the said loch to the centre of the Lochend Road opposite Woodneuk Lodge; thence in a northerly direction along the centre of said road to the Johnston Road; thence in an easterly direction along the centre of last-mentioned road to the Glenboig Road; thence in a northerly direction along the centre of last-mentioned road to a point opposite the north-western boundary of enclosure No. 1205 of said map; thence following the north-western boundary of enclosure last mentioned and northern boundaries of enclosures Nos. 1197 and 1196 and across the railway and along the northern boundary of enclosure No. 1195 until it reaches the boundary of the Chryston Electoral Division.

(6) Chryston, the remainder of the Chryston Electoral Division.

APPENDIX III.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1894.

COUNTY OF LANARK.—PARISH OF GOVAN.

ORDER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD FOR SCOTLAND AS TO THE ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS FOR THAT PORTION OF THE PARISH OF GOVAN WHICH IS SITUATED OUTWITH THE BURGH OF GLASGOW, BUT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

WHEREAS it is provided by Sections 14 (7) and 15 (7) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, that a County Council and Town Council may refer to the Board any question that may arise as to the performance of the duty of such County Council or Town Council under these sections, and the determination of the Board, as signified by Order thereon, shall by final;

AND WHEREAS Section 12 (4) of the Glasgow Corporation (General Powers) Act, 1896, authorises the Parish Councils of "the Glasgow Parishes" to make a similar reference;

AND WHEREAS, in consequence of the extension of the boundaries of the City of Glasgow, a question has arisen as to the election of Parish Councillors for the portion of the Parish of Govan situated outwith the Burgh of Glasgow, but within the County of Lanark;

AND WHEREAS the County Council of Lanark and the Parish Council of Govan have agreed that the Board shall determine the question under the powers conferred on them by the aforesaid sections of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894;

NOW THEREFORE WE, the Local Government Board for Scotland, do hereby determine that the election of Parish Councillors within the aforesaid portion of the Parish of Govan shall be conducted by the Parish Council of Govan in the same manner as if the aforesaid portion formed part of the nearest parish ward.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board for Scotland this second day of June, One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Thirteen Years.

(Signed) GEORGE M'CRAE,
Vice-President.

DAVID BROWN,
Assistant Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

25th June, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 25th June, 1913, being a meeting of the Elections Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart.
William Neilson.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Sym.
James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman. Colonel King Stewart, Chairman of the Committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 4th June, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Rutherglen Electoral Division. — Letter from Clerk to Rutherglen Parish Council. With reference to the proposed alteration of the Rutherglen Electoral Division the Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Rutherglen Parish Council, of date 4th current, stating that the Landward Committee of the Parish Council disapproved of the proposal to divide the Landward portion of the Parish into two Parish Wards. The meeting, having further considered the matter, agreed to adhere to the original proposal, which had been approved by the County Council.

Parish of Carnwath.—Communication from certain members of Parish Council. The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following communication which had been addressed to him relating to the Parish of Carnwath, viz.:—

"PARISH COUNCIL OF CARNWATH,

"We, the undersigned, being the five Parish Councillors in the Carnwath Ward of Carnwath Parish humbly submit, that the time has now come when, according to the population in the two wards, some re-arrangement as to the representation of the wards should be made.

"At present the Forth Ward has six representatives, and the Carnwath Ward has five.

"The population, according to the best information we have been able to procure (based upon the returns for the last census) is 6,446 for the whole parish, of which 3,741 reside in the Carnwath Ward, including Tarbrax, Old Woolfords and Auchengray: while the remainder 2,705 reside in the Forth Ward.

"As the Carnwath Representatives are in the minority in the Parish Council, we hereby petition the County Council to inquire into the matter, and to effect such a redistribution of the seats as they may find the circumstances demanding.

(Signed) ALEXANDER ALLISON.
" JAMES S. CALDWELL.
" PETER P. CAMPBELL.
" WILLIAM LAWRIE.
" JAMES ROBERTS."

The Clerk stated that he had thought it desirable to verify the figures stated in the above communication, and had that morning received from the Police a statement, according to which the population of Forth Ward was 3,365, and the Carnwath Ward, 3,106, making a total of 6,471.

The meeting, in view of the discrepancy as between the two sets of figures, remitted to the Clerk for further inquiry, and meantime continued the matter for further consideration. *Consideration continued.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting the Clerk reported that, on a survey of the district, it was found that the proposal made at last meeting to divide the existing Bishopbriggs Electoral Division into two Divisions would give two fairly equal divisions, viz.:— *Bishopbriggs Division.—Agreed that existing division be divided into two divisions.*

Bishopbriggs, North, being that part of the Parish of Cadder lying generally to the north and west of a line along the centre of the North British Railway from Glasgow to Edinburgh, - - - about 550 electors.

Bishopbriggs, South, being the remainder of the existing Bishopbriggs Electoral Division, - - about 650 electors.

The meeting, after consideration, and having examined a map showing the proposed alteration, so far as regards Bishopbriggs, approved thereof and resolved accordingly.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 20th August, 1913, being a meeting of the Elections Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 20th August, 1913.

Present—

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE. | ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
JAMES H. FENTON. | WILLIAM SPEIRS.

There were also present, as representing Electoral Divisions affected by the proposed alterations—

JOHN ADAM. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
J. RAESIDE AULD. | WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Mr. Speirs was appointed Chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 25th June last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting copy of the Representation (Appendix I.), addressed to the Secretary for Scotland, for an increase of the number of county councillors, and an alteration of electoral divisions, together with a map showing the proposed new divisions and a verbal description (Appendix II.) of the boundaries thereof. *Representation to Secretary for Scotland.*

He also submitted and read a letter, of date 5th current, from the Under Secretary for Scotland, stating that the Secretary for Scotland had requested the Sheriff-Principal of the County to hold a local Inquiry into the representation. *Communication from Secretary for Scotland.—Sheriff to hold Inquiry.*

Date of Inquiry fixed.

The Clerk reported that, following the receipt of that letter, he had put himself in communication with the Sheriff-Clerk, who had informed him that the inquiry into the representation had been fixed to be held in the Sheriff's Appeal Court Room, County Buildings (40 Wilson Street), Glasgow, on Monday, 25th current, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Appointment of representatives to attend.

The procedure which would probably be followed at the Inquiry having been explained by the Clerk, the meeting appointed Mr. Speirs, Mr. Christie, and Mr. Hamilton to attend the Inquiry for the purpose of giving evidence, if necessary, in support of the Representation of the County Council.

Local witnesses to attend if necessary.

It was also agreed that as many of the other members of the Committee as could find it convenient should attend the inquiry, and it was remitted to the Clerk to arrange for the attendance of local witnesses where he considered this necessary.

Letters from Secretary of Local Government Board.

There were laid before the meeting communications from the Secretary of the Local Government Board, viz:—(1) of date 23rd ultimo, approving of the number and proportion of councillors fixed for the Parish of Cambuslang, and also intimating that they will be prepared to approve the number and proportion of councillors for the Parish of Dalserf as fixed by the County Council, on learning that the Secretary for Scotland had approved of the re-division of the parish into three electoral divisions instead of two; (2) of date 23rd ultimo, stating that the Board will cause inquiry to be made into the question of the necessity for increasing the Landward Committee of the Parish of Glasgow.

Alteration of boundaries of Parliamentary Polling Districts in Dalserf Parish.—Letter from T. Gillespie, Hamilton.—Committee approve.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. T. Gillespie, Assessor, Hamilton, suggesting that it would be desirable that the boundaries of the Parliamentary polling districts in the Parish of Dalserf should be altered so as to correspond with the proposed new electoral divisions. The meeting concurred in this view, and—while it was not expected that anything could be done in time to give effect to the alteration in this year's register—it was remitted to the Clerk to consult with the Sheriff-Clerk on the subject.

Population of Forth and Carnwath Parish Wards.—Letter from Clerk to Parish Council.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a letter of date 2nd ultimo, from Mr. Laurie, Clerk to Carnwath Parish Council, stating that he had gone over the figures representing the population of the Forth and Carnwath Parish Wards as made up by the Police and that he found them correct.

Letter from Mr. Peter P. Campbell.

As relative to the same matter the Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Peter P. Campbell, enclosing copy correspondence which he had had with the Clerk to the Parish Council of Carnwath, and stating that had the correct figures been submitted to the Parish Council, the question of an alteration of existing arrangements would not have been raised.

The meeting, in these circumstances, allowed the matter to drop.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889.

SECTION 51 (a).

REPRESENTATION BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK TO THE SECRETARY FOR SCOTLAND IN REGARD TO AN ALTERATION OF THE NUMBER OF COUNTY COUNCILLORS FOR THE COUNTY, AND THE NUMBER, CONTENTS, AND BOUNDARIES OF CERTAIN ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF THE COUNTY.

The proposals now submitted by the County Council relate to—

(1) The Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward District of the County, the readjustment of which has been rendered expedient by the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912; and

(2) The Electoral Divisions comprised in the Parish of Dalserf, the necessity for which has been occasioned by the great increase of population.

Increase in number of County Councillors.

Prior to the recent extension of the City of Glasgow, the County Council consisted of 76 members, but as a result of the inclusion within the city of the Police Burghs of Govan and Partick the number of Councillors has been reduced to 61.

So far as regards the number of County Councillors, the proposals now submitted involve an increase of only two, that is, 63 instead of 61.

Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward.

Dealing first with the question of the readjustment of the Electoral Divisions of the Lower Ward, it is perhaps desirable to place before the Secretary for Scotland the position of matters anterior to the recent extension of the City of Glasgow.

The District Committee of the Lower Ward then consisted of 28 members, as follows:—

8 members representing Landward Electoral Divisions.
15 members representing Burghal Electoral Divisions.
5 members representing Parish Councils.

By the inclusion of the Burghs of Govan and Partick within the City, the District Committee now consists only of the members representing the Landward Electoral Divisions and the representatives from the Parish Councils, being 13 in all.

The Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1912, also involved a serious encroachment on the Landward area, with the result that the North and South Shettleston Electoral Divisions have been greatly reduced in size and population, the electorate in the former division being reduced from 2,040 to 615, and in the latter from 3,389 to 74.

The Electoral Divisions of the Lower Ward as they presently exist are as follows :—

Name of Division.	No. of Electors
Bishopbriggs (being part of the Parish of Cadder), ...	1,283
Chryston (being the remainder of the Parish of Cadder), ...	1,718
Possil (being part of the landward portion of Glasgow Parish), ...	468
Millerston (being part of the landward portion of Glasgow Parish), ...	462
North Shettleston (being part of the landward portion of Glasgow Parish), ...	615
South Shettleston (being the remainder of the landward portion of the Parish of Glasgow), ...	74
Rutherglen (comprising the Parish of Carmunnock and the landward portion of the Parish of Rutherglen), ...	913
South Govan (being the landward portion of the Parish of Govan), ...	6

It is probable that the small portion of Govan Parish which is isolated from the rest of the County will shortly, by arrangement, be incorporated in the Burgh of Renfrew, but, in any case, it is inexpedient that it should be allowed to continue as a separate electoral division. Neither is it desirable to continue what remains of the South Shettleston Electoral Division as a separate unit for County Council purposes. Consequently, unless a readjustment of the remaining electoral divisions in the Lower Ward is effected, the number of members of the District Committee must shortly be reduced to 10 members—the landward portion of the Parish of Govan being at present represented by a County Councillor and a representative from the Parish Council.

It is the desire of the County Council that the existing Local Government Districts into which the County is divided should not be disturbed, and that the District Committee of the Lower Ward should consist of a number of members sufficient to deal efficiently with the affairs of the District, which, owing to its proximity to the City of Glasgow, is likely to increase rapidly in population, and will require the close and constant attention of its representatives.

Having these circumstances in view, the Council propose that the number of members of the District Committee should not be reduced to less than 13 members, at which it presently stands, and they submit the following scheme for a readjustment of the Electoral Divisions which would provide for this, viz.:—

Bishopbriggs North (comprising that part of the existing Bishopbriggs Electoral Division north of the North British Railway line from Glasgow to Lenzie), -	about 550
Bishopbriggs South (comprising that part of the existing Bishopbriggs Electoral Division south of the said railway line), - - - - - - - - -	,, 650

Gartcosh (comprising the existing Gartcosh Parish Ward of Cadder Parish), - - - - - - - - about 500
Chryston (comprising the existing Chryston Parish Ward), ,, 800
Millerston and Stepps (comprising the existing Millerston Electoral Division and the Stepps Parish Ward of Cadder Parish), - - - - - - - - - ,, 830
Possil (as at present existing), - - - - - - - ,, 400
Shettleston (comprising what remains of the old North and South Shettleston Electoral Divisions), - - ,, 700
Rutherglen (comprising the landward portion of the Parish of Rutherglen to the east of the Burgh of Rutherglen), - - - - - - - - - ,, 600
Carmunnock (comprising the Parish of Carmunnock and the remaining portion of the Parish of Rutherglen *Landward*), - - - - - - - - - ,, 350

It is proposed that the small landward portion of Govan Parish should cease to form a separate Electoral Division, and be included within the Rutherglen Electoral Division.

The County Council, in submitting the above proposals for the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, desire to point out that the circumstances of the Lower Ward are exceptional, and at the present time transitional, and that for these reasons the representation proposed to be conceded to that district, which is admittedly in excess of what a representation based solely on proportionate population would give, is fully justified.

Electoral Divisions in Dalserf Parish.

With regard to the Parish of Dalserf, which presently comprises the Electoral Divisions of (1) Larkhall, and (2) Dalserf, the County Council propose that the Parish should be divided into three Divisions, viz. :—

(1) *North Larkhall*, having an electorate of about 1,300 ;
(2) *South Larkhall*, having an electorate of about 1,300 ;
(3) *Dalserf*, having an electorate of about 800.

In submitting this proposal, the Council would remind the Secretary for Scotland that, notwithstanding the great increase of the population in the Larkhall District (from 11,325 in 1891 to 18,629 in 1911), no alteration has been made since 1891, and that the number of electors in the existing Larkhall Electoral Division is equal to twice the average number of electors in the Landward Electoral Divisions of the County.

There is sent herewith maps showing—

(1) The existing Electoral Divisions in regard to which proposals are now submitted, and
(2) The Electoral Divisions as now proposed.

There is appended hereto a description of the boundaries of the Electoral Divisions as proposed to be altered.

On behalf of the County Council,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *June*, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Proposed Readjustment of Electoral Divisions.

DESCRIPTION OF BOUNDARIES.

LARKHALL NORTH.

That part of the Parish of Dalserf which lies generally to the north and west of a line commencing at Millheugh Bridge and following the centre of Millheugh Brae, thence along the centre of M'Neil Street and Muir Street until Drygate Street is reached, thence in a westerly direction along the centre of Drygate Street, until Station Road is reached, thence along the centre of Station Road, across the railway and along the centre of the old road to Skellyton Tile Works, thence continuing in a straight line in a south-easterly direction to a point in the Skelly Burn, thence in a north-easterly direction along the Skelly Burn to the River Clyde.

LARKHALL SOUTH.

That part of the Parish of Dalserf which lies to the south and east of Larkhall North Electoral Division, and generally to the west of a line commencing at Canderside Bridge, over the Cander Water, and following along the centre of the Edinburgh and Ayr Highway in a northerly direction till it reaches the Glasgow and Carlisle Highway, thence along the centre of the said highway in a northerly direction till it reaches the road leading past Shaws and Skellyton Farm to the Hamilton and Lanark Highway, thence along the centre of the said road in a north-easterly direction till the Hamilton and Lanark highway is reached, thence along said highway in a north-westerly direction till it reaches the road leading to Cambusnethan Ford, thence in a northerly direction along said road to the River Clyde.

DALSERF.

The remainder of the Parish of Dalserf.

POSSIL.

That part of the Parish of Glasgow (exclusive of the portions included within the limits of the Burgh of Glasgow) which lies to the west of a line drawn in a generally northerly direction along the centre of the North British (Edinburgh and Glasgow) Railway line from the point at which the said railway line intersects the existing boundary of the Burgh of Glasgow to a point 200 feet due north of the north side of the Colston Road, thence in an easterly direction parallel with and distant throughout 200 feet to the north of the north side of the said Colston Road until the boundary between the Parishes of Glasgow—formerly Barony—and Cadder, is reached, and thence along the last-mentioned boundary until the Forth and Clyde Canal is reached.

BISHOPBRIGGS NORTH.

That part of the Parish of Cadder lying generally to the north and west of a line along the centre of the North British Railway from Glasgow to Edinburgh.

BISHOPBRIGGS SOUTH.

That part of the Parish of Cadder (excluding Bishopbriggs North before described) lying generally to the north and west of a line commencing at the corner of the Glasgow Parish boundary, north-east of Coshnockmuir Steading; thence in a northerly direction across the Garnkirk Burn to the Langmuirhead Road at a point in the prolongation of the western boundary of enclosure No. 1573 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder (1898 Edition); thence generally in a north-easterly direction along the south side of the said road and the north and north-western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 1581, 1583, and 1550, and across the Auchinloch Road to the north-west corner of enclosure No. 1548 of the said map; thence along the north boundary of last-mentioned enclosure and the prolongation thereof to the centre of the Cult Burn; thence in a north-easterly and generally northerly direction along the Cult Burn to the east boundary of enclosure No. 854 of said map; thence in a northerly direction along said boundary fence and the continuation thereof to the centre of the Lindsaybeg Road; thence in a westerly and northerly direction along the said road to the south-west corner of enclosure No. 860 of said map; thence along the west boundary of last-mentioned enclosure to the parish and county boundary.

MILLERSTON AND STEPPS.

That part of the Parish of Glasgow (exclusive of the portion included within the Burgh of Glasgow) which lies to the east of the Possil Division and to the north of a line drawn along the southern boundary of that part of the Gartcraig policies lying to the west of the Gartcraig highway, thence along the centre of the said highway till it reaches the centre of Jessie's Bridge, which crosses the Monkland Canal, and thence in an easterly direction along the centre of the Monkland Canal to the point at which it enters the Parish of Old Monkland: together with that part of the Parish of Cadder lying generally to the south and east of Bishopbriggs South

Electoral Division and to the west of a line commencing at the north-east corner of enclosure No. 1581 of the Ordnance Survey Map; thence in a south-easterly direction along the east boundary of said enclosure to enclosure No. 1582 of said map; thence following the north and east boundaries of said last-mentioned enclosure to the Cult Burn; thence in a south-easterly direction by a straight line to the junction of the Whitehill Road with the service road to Hornshill Steading; thence following the fence at the side of the said road by the east side of Hornshill Steading and across the Garnkirk Burn and by the west side of Garfield House policies to the centre of the Cumbernauld Road; thence in an easterly direction along the centre of the said road to a point in the continuation of the eastern boundary of enclosure No. 1739 of said map; thence in a southerly direction to the last-mentioned boundary and along it to the boundary between the Parishes of Glasgow and Cadder.

SHETTLESTON.

The remainder of the landward portion of the Parish of Glasgow.

GARTCOSH.

That part of the Parish of Cadder lying generally to the south-east of a line commencing at a point in the Glasgow Parish boundary at the north-west corner of enclosure No. 1816 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence generally in an easterly and north-easterly direction to Johnston Loch, following the south side of the burn; thence along the south-eastern side of the said loch to the centre of the Lochend Road opposite Woodneuk Lodge; thence in a northerly direction along the centre of said road to the Johnston Road; thence in an easterly direction along the centre of last-mentioned road to the Glenboig Road; thence in a northerly direction along the centre of last mentioned road to a point opposite the north-western boundary of enclosure No. 1205 of said map; thence following the north-western boundary of enclosure last mentioned and northern boundaries of enclosures Nos. 1197 and 1196 and across the railway and along the northern boundary of enclosure No. 1195 until it reaches the boundary of New Monkland Parish.

CHRYSTON.

The remainder of the Parish of Cadder.

CARMUNNOCK.

The Parish of Carmunnock together with that part of the Parish of Rutherglen which lies to the south and west of the Burgh of Rutherglen, and to the west of the Glasgow and East Kilbride Highway.

RUTHERGLEN.

The remainder of the landward portion of the Parish of Rutherglen, together with the landward portion of the Parish of Govan.

July, 1913.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 17th September, 1913, being a meeting of the Elections Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 17th September, 1913.

Present—

George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Sym.
W. M. Marshall.	James C. Hope Vere.

In the absence of Colonel King Stewart, Mr. Neilson was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 20th ultimo, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk reported that the Sheriff Principal had held an inquiry in Glasgow, on 25th ultimo, into the application made by the County Council to the Secretary for Scotland for an Order altering the number of County Councillors for the County, and the number, contents, and boundaries of certain electoral divisions, and that his Lordship, after hearing the County Clerk on behalf of the County Council, and agents on behalf of objectors and others interested, had stated that he would report his views to the Secretary for Scotland. *Alteration of electoral divisions, &c.—Inquiry by Sheriff.*

The Clerk stated that there were present at the inquiry several members of the committee for the purpose of giving evidence in support of the representation of the County Council, and that he had also asked certain local witnesses to be present, but that it had been found unnecessary to lead evidence.

The Clerk thereafter submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 9th instant, from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, transmitting a draft Order by the Secretary for Scotland, giving effect to the representation of the County Council and asking for observations. The Clerk stated that he had gone through the draft Order, and, having made certain adjustments, had returned it to the Under-Secretary for Scotland. *Draft Order by Secretary for Scotland giving effect to representation.*

The meeting expressed satisfaction that the Secretary for Scotland had agreed to give effect to the proposals of the County Council.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of the remuneration to be made to the Sheriff, authorised the Clerk to suggest a fee of twenty guineas. *Fee to Sheriff.*

The Clerk stated that, in consequence of the alteration of the Electoral Divisions of the Parish of Cadder, it would be necessary for the County Council to make an Order under Section 13 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, altering the Parish Wards, and he submitted a Draft Order (Appendix I.). *Parish of Cadder.—Parish Wards.*

The meeting approved of the draft Order, subject to such modification as the Clerk might consider necessary, and agreed to recommend the County Council to make the Order.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 31st July last, from the Clerk to the Cadder Parish Council, recommending that the number of *Parish of Cadder.—Allocation of number of Parish Councillors.*

Parish Councillors should be apportioned amongst the several Parish Wards as follows:—

Bishopbriggs, North, ...	3
Bishopbriggs, South, ...	2
Lenzie, ...	2
Stepps, ...	2
Chryston, ...	4
Gartcosh, ...	2
	15

The Clerk, however, stated that as this allocation had been made upon the original estimate of the number of voters in each of the several Wards, and that as the figures supplied by the Assessor showed considerable differences in one or two cases, he had thought it advisable to communicate again with the Clerk to the Cadder Parish Council, who had informed him that he did not think the differences would involve any alteration in the apportionment suggested by his Parish Council, but that he would submit the matter again to his Parish Council at their next meeting.

The meeting accordingly continued the matter until the Parish Council had had a further opportunity of considering it.

Parish of Rutherglen.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 9th July last, from the Clerk to the Parish Council of Rutherglen, suggesting that the two Wards into which the landward portion of Rutherglen would now be divided should be designated "East" and "South," instead of "East" and "West," as proposed, and that the number of landward members should be allocated, three to the East Ward and two to the South Ward.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that the two landward Wards might be more appropriately named "Farme Ward" and "Burnside Ward," and that the Wards should be so named unless the Parish Council thought otherwise.

The meeting also agreed to allocate three members to the "Farme Ward" and two to the "Burnside Ward."

Parish of Glasgow.—Letter from Local Government Board.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 28th August, from the Secretary of the Local Government Board, stating that the Board were prepared to approve the proposal to allocate twenty-eight Parish Councillors to the Burgh of Glasgow, and three to the landward area, on hearing that the Secretary for Scotland had approved of the proposal to form the remaining portions of North and South Shettleston Electoral Divisions into one electoral division.

The Clerk was instructed, so soon as the Order of the Secretary for Scotland had been made final, to inform the Local Government Board for Scotland of the fact.

Appointment of Returning Officer.

With regard to the arrangements to be made for the elections of the County Council and of the Parish Councils, in December next, the Clerk stated that, while the committee had already signified their approval of the committee's recommendation that the County Clerk should be appointed Returning Officer, it was necessary that the appointment should be confirmed at the October Statutory Meeting of the County Council, and the meeting agreed that this should be formally done, and recommended accordingly.

Scale of Expenses.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a print of the scale of expenses (Appendix II.) which had been framed in connection with the elections of the County Council and of the Parish Councils in 1910. On the Clerk's suggestion, the meeting continued the scale for further consideration, and, meantime, recommended the County Council that it be remitted to the committee to adjust the scale, and to submit the same for the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, as required by Statute.

Dalziel Electoral Division.—Polling Arrangements.

Mr. Fraser having referred to polling arrangements for the Dalziel Electoral Division, it was remitted to the Clerk to consult with Mr. Fraser in the matter, and to make such arrangements as seemed to be necessary to suit the circumstances.

First meeting of new Council.

The meeting agreed to recommend that the first meeting of the new council be fixed for Wednesday, 10th December.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1894.

ORDER BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

WHEREAS the Secretary for Scotland has made an Order, dated 20th September, 1913, altering the numbers, contents, and boundaries of the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward District of the County, including the Parish of Cadder:

AND WHEREAS, in consequence of such Order, it is expedient that certain alterations of the Parish Wards of the Parish of Cadder should be made.

THEREFORE we do hereby, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by Section 13 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, revoke the Order made by the County Council on the Tenth day of October, Nineteen hundred and seven, and resolve and determine that the South Bishopbriggs Electoral Division of the said Parish shall be divided into Parish Wards, as follows:—

(1) LENZIE—that part of Bishopbriggs South County Council Electoral Division lying generally to the south and east of a line commencing at the County and Parish boundary where the Glasgow and Edinburgh Branch of the North British Railway crosses it; thence in a south-westerly direction along the centre of said railway line till it meets the prolongation of the western boundary of enclosure No. 771 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence in a southerly direction along said prolongation of boundary to the north-west corner of enclosure No. 771 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 771 and 772 to the centre of the Crosshill Road; thence along the centre of the said road to the prolongation of the western boundary of enclosure No. 823; thence in a southerly direction along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 823 and 822; thence along the southern boundary of last-mentioned enclosure and the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 843 and 1554 to the boundary of the said electoral division;

(2) BISHOPBRIGGS SOUTH—the remainder of Bishopbriggs South County Council Electoral Division;

AND WHEREAS no alteration is proposed to be made in the number of Parish Councillors for the said parish, which stands at Fifteen:

THEREFORE we, the County Council, do hereby in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by Sub-Section 4 of Section 13 of the said Act, assign the number of Parish Councillors to the various Wards of the parish as follows, viz.:—

Bishopbriggs North, ...	3
Bishopbriggs South (Optional Ward), ...	2
Lenzie (Optional Ward), ...	2
Stepps, ...	2
Chryston, ...	4
Garteosh, ...	2

NOTHING in this Order shall affect the constitution of the Parish Council during its present term of office:

GIVEN under our hands and under the Common Seal of the County Council, this, the Ninth day of October, Nineteen hundred and thirteen.

.....

.....

Two Members of County Council.

.....

County Clerk.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACTS, 1889 AND 1894

Elections of County Council and Parish Councils, 1910.

Scale of Expenses framed by the County Council of Lanark.

1.—For Printing and Publishing Notice of Arrangements under Section 17 of the Act of 1894, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, for the whole County, 6s. for each Parish or Parish Ward.			
2.—For Printing the Notices of Election, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, for the whole County, 10s. for each Electoral Division, Parish, or Parish Ward.			
3.—For Distributing and Placarding the same, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, for the whole County, 5s. for each Electoral Division, Parish, or Parish Ward.			
4.—For Printing Notices of Nominations, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate for the whole County, 10s. for each Electoral Division.			
5.—For Printing Notices of Nominations, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, for the whole County, 10s. for each Parish or Parish Ward.			
6.—For Printing Nomination Forms and Forms of Withdrawal for each Electoral Division, Parish, or Parish Ward, a sum of 5s. per 100.			
7.—For Printing Notices of Withdrawals, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, for the whole County, 5s. for each Electoral Division, Parish, or Parish Ward in which withdrawal lodged.			
8.—For Placarding each subsequent Notice, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, for the whole County, 5s. for each Electoral Division, Parish, or Parish Ward.			
9.—For Printing Ballot Papers for each Electoral Division, Parish, or Parish Ward, if not more than 100 required, ...	£0	10	0
And 2s. for each additional 100 or fraction thereof.			
10.—For all other necessary Printing, including Stationery, a sum of 30s. for each Contested Division, Parish, or Parish Ward, and 15s. for each Uncontested Division, Parish, or Parish Ward.			
11.—For each Presiding Officer, ... with £1 1s. extra for each night necessarily from home.	3	3	0
12.—For each Poll Clerk, ... with 15s. extra for each night necessarily from home.	1	1	0
Besides, as regards both Presiding Officers and Poll Clerks, their necessary Travelling Expenses, but not Hotel Bills.			
13.—For each Assistant at the Counting of the Votes, for each day or part of a day employed, ...	1	1	0
When the period of employment extends beyond 12 o'clock midnight the allowance shall be £1 11s. 6d.			
14.—For the Hire or necessary Fitting-up of Rooms or Buildings, or expenses caused by the use of such Rooms or Buildings, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, for the whole County, £3 3s. for each Polling Station.			
15.—For each Ballot Box required to be purchased, ...	0	15	0
16.—For the use of each Hired Ballot Box, including repairs, ...	0	3	0
17.—For each Stamping Instrument required to be purchased, ...	0	15	0
18.—For altering Dies that have been used within seven years, or repairing Stamping Instruments, a sum not exceeding, in the aggregate, 3s. for each instrument used.			
19.—For Conveyance of Ballot Boxes, &c., to or from the Polling Stations, per Mile,	0	1	6
20.—For Professional and other Assistance in the preparation for, and conduct of, the Elections for the whole County, ...	60	0	0
And an additional £1 for every 1,000, or fraction of 1,000, Registered Electors above 6,000.			
21.—For Local Assistance in the preliminary preparation for an Election in each Parish or Parish Ward, ...	1	11	6
22.—For services of Returning Officer in connection with the Elections, whether contested or uncontested, including all allowances for clerical work other than covered by item 21, and also the making up of reports of Elections, verification of votes, scheme of the polling places, and expenses of the Elections, and the paying of accounts and fees, &c., a fee of	350	0	0
23.—For Personal Expenses of the Returning Officer, or his deputes, the actual outlay.			
24.—For Allowances to Police Constables employed at the Polling Stations for travelling, the actual outlay, and for subsistence per day, each not exceeding,	0	2	6
25.—For Rent of Offices, Furniture, &c., for the use of the Returning Officer, the actual outlay.			
26.—Where Depute Returning Officers are appointed, they shall each be paid a fee commensurate to the work devolving upon them, but in no case exceeding	10	10	0

NOTE.—(1) The above are the maximum charges to be made by the Returning Officer, but the charges are in no case to exceed the sums actually and necessarily paid.

(2) In the case of dual elections the above fees to Presiding Officers and Poll Clerks cover both.

The above Scale is that approved by the Secretary for Scotland and referred to in the letter from the Scottish Office, dated 31st August, 1910.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 25th June, 1913, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed with reference to the formation of Special Districts under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894. — 25th June, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.	William Neilson.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	James Tonner.

James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Adam, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and stated that the usual public intimation of the meeting had been given in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 20th current. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st May, 1912, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 5th current, transmitting, in terms of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, copy resolution adopted by the District Committee of the Middle Ward at a special meeting held on 30th ultimo, approving of the enlargement of the boundaries of the existing Cambuslang Special Lighting District, so as to include the area of the existing Newton and Flemington Special Drainage District; adopting within the said enlarged Special Lighting District the provisions contained in Sections 99 to 105, inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892; and determining that the debt affecting the Cambuslang Special Lighting District, together with the interest thereof, should affect the whole Special Lighting District, as now enlarged, and that as from and after the 15th day of May, 1913. — *Resolution by District Committee of Middle Ward regarding enlargement of Cambuslang Special Lighting District.*

There was laid before the meeting a map showing the proposals of the District Committee with regard to the district referred to, together with information as to the valuation of the district and the assessments presently levied therein by the County Council. — *Map submitted.*

The Clerk having stated that no objections had been intimated to the resolution of the District Committee, the meeting, after consideration, and, as empowered by the County Council, resolved to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolution of the District Committee of the Middle Ward enlarging the said special district above referred to, all as set forth in the advertisement of the said resolution published in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper of date 6th current, and as the enlarged district is delineated on the map submitted. — *Agreed to give Council's consent.*

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimation of this Resolution as may be required by Statute. — *Public intimation of resolution.*

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON COURT-HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT LANARK.

At LANARK, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Monday, 7th July, 1913, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed with reference to the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark. — 7th July, 1913.

Present—

James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

John Stewart, of Messrs. Traill & Stewart, Architects, Lanark.

Mr. Hope Vere in the chair. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 20th January last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, there was submitted the report of the sub-committee appointed in connection with the additions to, alterations of, and repairs to the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark, as contained in the minutes of the sub-committee, of dates 17th February, 17th March, and 13th June. The meeting approved thereof. — *Report of Sub-Committee regarding additions to alterations of and repairs to Buildings.*

The Clerk reported that, in connection with the additional safe accommodation required by the Sheriff-Clerk, and the proposed erection of a new dwelling-house for the caretaker, he had, as instructed, forwarded the plans prepared by the Architect to the Secretary for Scotland, for the approval of the Board of Works, with a view to an application being made for a part of the cost of the additions and alterations being borne by the Treasury, but that, so far, he had received no reply. The meeting agreed to continue this matter in the hands of the sub-committee, with powers. — *Additional safe accommodation required by Sheriff-Clerk.*

Repairs to Buildings.—Acceptance of offers.

With regard to the repairs proposed to be carried out on the Court Houses and County Buildings, the Architect submitted offers which he had received for the various works. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to accept the following offers, and instructed accordingly, viz.:—

Mason work—William Morton, Lanark,	...	£151	6 0
Joiner work—D. Purdie & Sons, Lanark,	...	58	12 10
Slater, &c., work—Thomas Lithgow, Lanark,	...	87	15 3
Plumber work—T. Glaister & Co., Lanark,	...	128	9 2

Repairs to house occupied by constable.

The Architect having reported that there was included in the above offers the cost of the repairs proposed to be carried out on the house at the rear of the buildings occupied by one of the constables, the meeting agreed that these repairs should meantime be delayed, and remitted to the Clerk to ascertain as to whether this Committee were responsible for repairs to the house, and if so, to instruct the Architect accordingly.

Contribution from Government towards cost of repairs.—Remit to Clerk.

It was also remitted to the Clerk to ascertain as to whether a Government grant might not be obtained as a contribution towards the cost of the repairs on the buildings.

Offers for painter, &c., works.—Remit to Mr. Fenton.

The Clerk having stated that there would still fall to be accepted offers for the painter and paper-hanger and plaster works, the meeting agreed that Mr. Fenton should examine the offers, when received, and accept those which he considered most reasonable.

Flooding of heating chamber.—Letter from caretaker.

There was laid before the meeting a letter, of date 30th ultimo, from the caretaker, drawing attention to the flooding of the heating chamber. The Architect stated that this matter was having his attention, and that the cost of the repairs necessary to the heating chamber were included in the above offers.

Increase of wages of caretaker.

There was submitted to the meeting an application by the caretaker for an increase of wages, and the meeting, having considered the same, agreed to grant an increase of £10 per annum, the increase to take effect as from the 15th May last.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT MEETING *re* COURT HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT LANARK.

13th June, 1913.

At LANARK, and within the County Buildings there, upon Friday, 13th June, 1913, being a joint meeting of the Sub-Committee of the County Council on the Lanark Court Houses and of the Commissioners appointed in connection with the County Buildings at Lanark.

Present—

As representing the County Council—
James H. Fenton. | Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.

As representing the Commissioners—
Provost Forrest. | Bailie Lamb.

Attending—
John Stewart, Architect, Lanark.

Chairman.

Provost Forrest was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Report on buildings and estimate of repairs.

There were submitted to the meeting (1) general report (Appendix) prepared by Mr. Stewart, on the condition of the buildings, and (2) an estimate of the cost of the repairs on the upper portion of the buildings, which was as follows, viz. :—

Mason work, ...	£90	0	0
Joiner work, ...	65	0	0
Plumber work (after deducting the estimated value of old lead), ...	57	0	0
Slater work, ...	43	0	0
Plaster work, ...	10	0	0
Painter work, ...	80	0	0
	£345	0	0

Joint Committee agreed that repairs recommended by Architect be carried out.

The members of the joint-committee having inspected the buildings, agreed that the work suggested by Mr. Stewart should be carried out, and resolved to recommend accordingly to their respective committees.

Recommendation to Committee.

The members of the committee of the County Council, having by themselves considered the report of Mr. Stewart regarding the repairs of the lower part of the buildings (*i.e.*, the Sheriff Court House Buildings), being the property of the County Council, agreed to recommend that these repairs be carried out, the estimated cost being as follows :—

Mason work, ...	£90	0	0
Joiner work, ...	68	0	0
Plumber work, ...	75	0	0
Slater work, ...	50	0	0
Plaster work, ...	10	0	0
Painter work, ...	100	0	0
	£393	0	0

APPENDIX.

THE COUNTY AND SHERIFF COURT BUILDINGS, LANARK.

GENERAL REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF THE BUILDINGS.

NOTE.—*The term "upper part" refers to those buildings which are the property of the Court House Commissioners.*
The term "lower part" refers to the Sheriff Court Buildings, the property of the County Council.

Roofs.

The slates on roof of upper part are all loose, through corrosion of the nails. The slating of the lower part is in a much better condition, but in places shewing similar signs of nails giving way.

There is no felt under slates on any of the roofs. The whole should be stripped, roofs covered with felt, and re-slated.

The lead gutters at back of upper and lower buildings will require to be lifted and re-laid. The other gutters are in a fair condition, but need a general overhaul and repair. The lead flashings and gutters at all chimney heads should be lifted and renewed.

The lead on piends, valleys, and ridges is in fair order.

The roof-lights of staircase to Sheriff Court and of private stair to Sheriff's room require complete renewal.

The chimney heads of upper part should be pointed and those of lower part taken down and re-built.

Exterior Stone Work

The stone work of north and west walls of upper part is in such a bad state of decay that re-facing is impossible. All loose, decayed parts should be removed, the whole cleaned down, and afterwards coated with petrifying liquid as a preservative.

The west and south walls of lower part are in better condition, but should be similarly treated.

The blocks and cornice over entrance doorway could be taken out and restored.

The back wall of both buildings can only be effectively treated by cement rough-casting the whole.

Windows.

The windows generally are only in fair repair. A number are in bad condition, the wood sills and bottom of pulley stiles being rotten, and would require to have new cases made. Many sashes need new cords, and all parting beads are loose. A good deal of glass requires re-puttying, and the whole of windows should be re-pointed and painted.

Interior.

There are several places where the plaster work is in a bad state of repair, especially portion of ceiling of corridor on ground floor of lower part of buildings, which is dangerous. This is under that part of floor in Sheriff Court between solicitors' table and gallery, and is in a bad condition.

All rooms except one or two, corridors, staircases, &c., are in much need of having walls and ceilings thoroughly cleaned down and re-papered or painted, as required.

The woodwork, especially at window finishings, also requires some attention.

House at back.

The general condition of dwelling-house occupied by Sergeant Rogerson is bad, and shows marked signs of dampness. Floors, plaster, and windows are in a bad state of repair.

(Signed) JOHN STEWART.

38 High Street,
Lanark, 22nd May, 1913.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 3rd September, 1913, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 3rd September, 1913.

Present—

James Anderson.	William Love.
J. Raeside Auld.	William Neilson.
William Barr.	James C. Pollok.
James Cameron.	Robert Sharp.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Speirs.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	James Steele.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	John Todd.
Robert Lambie.	James C. Hope Vere.

In the absence of Colonel King Stewart, Chairman of the Board, Mr. Neilson was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Notice calling meeting.*

Special Circular.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 28th August, 1913.

"Sir,

"I am to request your attendance at a meeting of the County Road Board, to be held within the County Buildings, Glasgow, on Wednesday next, 3rd proximo, at 12 o'clock noon, to consider the propriety of recommending the County Council to declare that the following road shall be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and as such shall be added to the List of Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up under Section 41 thereof, viz:—

"Parish of Dalziel.

"Tinkers' Lane, from Motherwell Highway to Airbles Highway, measuring 1 furlong 40 yards or thereby.

"There will be submitted recommendations by the District Committee of the Upper Ward to construct two new bridges in the Parish of Douglas, viz.:—

"(1) Tablestone Bridge, over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, at an estimated cost of £524 10s.

"(2) Jeanfield Flood Bridge, over Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway, at an estimated cost of £302;

and the meeting may, if so agreed, resolve, in terms of Section 58 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, to construct the said bridges.

"There will be laid before the meeting estimates of the cost of highways in each of the districts of the County during the current year, and reports by the District Committees made up in terms of Section 26 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878.

"There will be submitted to the Board recommendations by the District Committees as follows:—

"MIDDLE WARD.

"(1) The completion of Airbles Highway, £162.

"(2) The purchase of additional property in Green Street, Strathaven, for the improvement of the highway, at a cost of £300.

"(3) The construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District, at an estimated cost of £3,000.

"(4) The completion of work in connection with the making up of Tinkers' Lane Road as a highway, £500.

"(5) An improvement on the north side of Peel Highway, near Thorntonhall, East Kilbride, at an estimated cost of £33.

"(6) The improvement of Newmill Highway between Fairhill and Laighstonehall, near Hamilton, at an estimated cost of £65.

"The Board may take up any other competent business.

"Your obedient Servant,

"THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*"

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the County Road Board, of date 30th April, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Minutes of Committee on Regulation of Traffic on Roads.

There were laid before the meeting the minutes of the committee appointed in connection with the Regulation of Traffic on Roads, of date 28th May (Appendix), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Board, and the same were approved of.

Reports by District Committees.

Reports by the District Committees on the conditions of the highways, made in terms of Section 26 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, were laid upon the table.

Road to be taken over as highway.

There was laid before the meeting a recommendation by the District Committee of the Middle Ward that Tinkers' Lane, in the Parish of Dalziel, from Motherwell Highway to Airbles Highway, measuring 1 furlong 40 yards or thereby, should be declared to be a highway within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and as such should be added to the List of Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up under Section 41 thereof.

As relative to this recommendation, there was also submitted a certificate by the District Road Surveyor that the said road was in a satisfactory condition to be taken over, and the meeting agreed to recommend the County Council that the said road should be added to the List of Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up under Section 41 of the said Act.

Construction of two new bridges in Parish of Douglas.

On the recommendation of the District Committee of the Upper Ward, and subject to the approval of the County Council, the meeting agreed to construct two new bridges in the Parish of Douglas, viz.:—

(1) Tablestone Bridge, over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, at an estimated cost of £524 10s.; and

(2) Jeanfield Flood Bridge, over Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway, at an estimated cost of £302.

Road improvements.

On the recommendation of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, the meeting approved of the following road improvements, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) The completion of Airbles Highway, £162.

(2) The purchase of additional property in Green Street, Strathaven, for the improvement of the Highway, at a cost of £300.

(3) The construction of new footpaths within the MiddleWard District, at an estimated cost of £3,000.

(4) The completion of work in connection with the making up of Tinkers' Lane Road as a highway, £500.

(5) An improvement on the north side of Peel Highway, near Thorntonhall, East Kilbride, at an estimated cost of £33.

(6) The improvement of Newmill Highway between Fairhill and Laighstonehall, near Hamilton, at an estimated cost of £65.

Estimates of cost of highways.

There having been submitted estimates of the cost of the highways in each of the several districts of the County for the current year, prints of which had been sent to each member of the Board, the same were considered and approved of, subject to such adjustment in the rate as the Finance Committee might think it necessary, and the meeting agreed to recommend their adoption to the Finance Committee and the County Council as the basis of the necessary rating.

Speed limit.

Under reference to the minutes of the meeting of the Road Board, held on 26th February last, the Clerk submitted—

Communication from Coulter Parish Council.

(1) Letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, of date 16th May, transmitting a communication from the Coulter Parish Council, requesting that the speed limit for motor-cars be limited to ten miles per hour while passing along certain portions of highways within the parish;

Stepps Ratepayers' Association.

(2) Further communication from the Stepps Ratepayers' Association, stating that cars were still being driven through Stepps at an excessive rate of speed, and pointing out the necessity for the immediate introduction of a speed limit of ten miles per hour;

Chief Constable.

(3) Letter from the Chief Constable, of date 20th August, stating that he had had controls placed at different times in the village of Stepps, but that no excessive speeds of motor-cars had been recorded.

Remit to Chief Constable.

The meeting, after consideration, did not see their way to recommend that a speed limit be imposed, but agreed that the Chief Constable should be asked to prepare and report the number of accidents which had been caused by motor-cars in the several districts of the County during the past six months.

Pillar letter-box on footpath opposite Tannochside Post Office, Uddingston.

The meeting granted a request by the Postmaster, Glasgow, for permission to erect a pillar letter-box on the footpath opposite Tannochside Post Office, Uddingston, provided that any conditions which the District Committee might impose were complied with.

Fences at Stewartfield, Hartfield, and Earnock Quarries.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a report by Mr. Alexander Scott, C.E., regarding the condition of the fences at Stewartfield, Hartfield, and Earnock Quarries, which had been considered at a previous meeting of the Board, stating that as regards (1) Stewartfield Quarry—the fence was now in a satisfactory condition; (2) Hartfield Quarry—a fence had been erected, but that, as the stobs had not been made secure, it was not quite satisfactory; and (3) Earnock Quarry—that nothing had yet been done towards putting the fence into a proper state of repair.

It was remitted to the Clerk to take such steps as he thought expedient to have the fences in every case made satisfactory.

APPENDIX.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON REGULATION OF TRAFFIC ON ROADS.

28th May, 1913. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 28th May, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Road Board on the question of the Regulation of Traffic on Roads.

Present—

John Adam.	William Neilson.
James Anderson.	James C. Pollok.
James Cameron.	John Todd.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.	James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable of the County.

Chairman. Mr. Hope Vere in the Chair.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Remit. The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit to the Committee, which was in the following terms viz.:—

"The Clerk stated that he had sent to each member of the Board a Report, which had been prepared for the County Councils Association, on the powers possessed by County Authorities in Scotland in regard to the carrying of lights on vehicles.

"He also submitted to the meeting a Report (Appendix), which he had prepared in accordance with the remit made to him by the Board at their meeting on 20th November last, on the statutory enactments relating to the regulation of traffic on roads, of which a copy had been sent to each member of the Board.

"The meeting, after discussion, appointed the following Committee to consider the whole question of the regulation of traffic on roads, including that of heavy motor and other vehicular traffic, and to report to a future meeting of the Board, viz.:—

John Adam.	William Neilson.
James Anderson.	James C. Pollock.
James Cameron.	Colonel King Stewart.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.	John Todd.
	James C. Hope Vere.

The Convener to be chairman of the Committee and three a quorum."

Lights on vehicles.—Powers of County Council to make by-laws to meet existing conditions.

The Clerk stated that while the remit to the Committee was not restricted to the question of the lighting of vehicles, but included also the regulation of heavy motor traffic, it was perhaps desirable that the two matters should be considered and dealt with separately. It would seem that the primary question for consideration was whether, under the existing enactments, County Councils were possessed of powers sufficient to enable them to make by-laws to meet the existing conditions; and, if so, whether the by-laws suggested in the Report to the Association of County Councils, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the County Road Board, were suitable to meet the circumstances.

The Clerk stated that the only alternative to the adoption of this course was the promotion of fresh legislation, and that, in the present state of Parliamentary business, the prospect of early legislation on the subject was extremely problematical

Matter continued for further consideration.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed to continue the matter for further consideration.

Regulation of heavy motor traffic.—Communications and orders by Secretary for Scotland.

With regard to the question of the regulation of heavy motor traffic, the Clerk laid before the meeting communications and orders by the Secretary for Scotland relating to the use of heavy motor cars on highways; and, as showing the increased cost, which is mainly attributable to the use of the highways by motor cars, he submitted a Statement (Appendix) showing the expenditure on Roads, the Road Rate, and the Mileage of Roads in each of the three districts of the County for the years ending 15th May, 1892, 1902, and 1912.

Matter continued for further consideration.

The meeting, having discussed the matter, agreed to continue it for further consideration.

APPENDIX.

Counties and Districts.	Year 1891-2.		Year 1901-2.		Year 1911-12.		Mileage.
	Expenditure.	Rate.	Expenditure.	Rate.	Expenditure.	Rate.	
Lanark—							Miles. Fur. Yds.
Lower Ward District, ...	£15.706 7 4	8½d.	£14,436 0 7	7d.	£17,000 3 4	6¾d.	95 2 98
Middle Ward District...	27,757 12 10	7d.	41,956 1 7	7d.	65,131 9 0	9¼d.	610 0 0
Upper Ward District,...	9,518 5 11	6d.	15,637 18 1	9d.	21,198 5 7	1s. 1½d	540 0 0
Totals,... ...	£52,982 6 1		£72,030 0 3		£103,329 17 11		1,245 2 98

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 17th September, 1913, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council of Lanark and of the District Committee of the Middle Ward in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destructor Works at Cambuslang. — 17th September, 1913.

Present—

OWEN COYLE. | WILLIAM LOVE.
ROBERT LAMBIE. | GAVIN A. SHANKS.

Attending—

W. L. DOUGLASS, District Engineer.
D. M. EUNSON, Resident Engineer.

Mr. Love, chairman of the joint-committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. Todd. — *Apology for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the joint-committee, of date 23rd April, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was submitted a report by the Resident Engineer, which forms Appendix I. to this minute, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the joint-committee. — *Report by resident engineer.*

With regard to the overhauling of the storage battery, the Clerk stated that he had addressed a communication to the Electrical Power Storage Company, requesting them, on this occasion, to expedite the work as much as possible, either by employing extra men or by working overtime, and that they had promised to do so. — *Overhauling of storage battery.—Communication addressed to Electrical Power Storage Company.*

As relative to the reference in the Resident Engineer's report regarding flue cleaning, there was submitted sketch plan showing the position of the new door which was proposed to be inserted in the flue, at the point marked red on the plan. — *Flues.—Proposed alteration.*

The meeting, after consideration, did not think it expedient, meantime, to have this alteration made, and remitted to the Resident Engineer to make the best arrangements possible under the existing circumstances for the cleaning out of the flue. — *Nothing to be done meantime.*

New water tube boiler.—Communication from Mr. J. M. M. Munro.

With reference to the new water-tube boiler, the Clerk stated that the last communication which he had received from Mr. J. M. M. Munro, consulting engineer, was dated 16th May, in which he explained that, the alterations having been completed, the boiler was subjected to a full load test, on the 9th May; that the results were more satisfactory, no trouble of any kind having arisen; and, further, that there was much less smoke, while the general appearance of the fire was now quite natural.

The Resident Engineer stated that a further test of the boiler and flues would be made whenever the circumstances necessitated a full load.

Statement as to development of undertaking.

There was laid before the meeting a statement (Appendix II.) showing how the undertaking had developed since 1909.

Clerk to prepare a further statement.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare, and submit to a future meeting of the committee, a further statement, with the object of showing the extent to which the Undertaking was, as a whole, self-supporting, and comparing this with other undertakings of a similar character and like capacity.

Triple concentric and three-core cable.—Further supply from Messrs. Callender.

The Clerk reported that, in the beginning of August, the Resident Engineer had informed him that the stock of triple concentric and three-core cable was nearly exhausted, and that he had, after consulting with the chairman, authorised the Resident Engineer to accept the offer of Messrs. Callender, amounting to £95, for the supply of 100 yards of each class of cable referred to.

Extension of cable at Halfway.

The Clerk further stated that, with the approval of the Chairman, the Resident Engineer had been authorised to extend the cable at Halfway from the second pillar in Mill Road to the premises of the Gilbertfield Co-operative Society at Halfway, a distance of 160 yards, for the purpose of lighting the premises in question, the estimated cost being £60, and the annual return £8. It was pointed out that the route traversed by the extended cable would practically cover all the shop area in Halfway, and that, apart from the request of the Co-operative Society, the extension, in the opinion of the Resident Engineer, was desirable.

Meeting approve.

The meeting approved of the action of the Chairman and the Clerk in the matters referred to.

Rough-casting of walls of engine room and battery house. — Mr. James Stewart's offer accepted.

Under reference to the minutes of the last meeting, the Clerk reported that several offers had been received for the rough-casting of the walls of the engine-room and battery house, and that the Chairman, having considered the several offers, had, as authorised by the committee, accepted the lowest one, viz., that of Mr. James Stewart, Cambuslang, which specified the rate of 1s. 9d. per square yard, with a penny per lineal foot extra for rounded corners.

Accident at quarry.—Fences.

The Clerk reported that on Sunday, 1st June last, a boy had fallen into the water in the quarry, but, fortunately, was rescued. On an inspection being made of the fences, it was found that, while these were in good repair, a hole had been burrowed underneath the fence on the west side next to Bothwell Street, and that this had since been built up with bricks.

Insurance of works.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the works had now been insured against fire, with the County Fire Office, for a total sum of £4,700, and that the Policy had been taken out in the names of the County Council and the District Committee, for their respective rights and interests. He also stated that the allocation of the premium, as between the County Council and the District Committee, had been adjusted with the District Clerk.

Clyde Valley Company.—Price of current.—Company's proposals

Under reference to the last meeting of the Committee, the Clerk stated that he had communicated with the Clyde Valley Company, with a view to obtaining some concession by way of a reduction in the price of current taken from their supply, and he submitted the reply received, which was to the

effect that the Company would be willing to reduce the price if the consumption were increased sufficiently to justify this, and by way of an alternative arrangement they suggested that the County Council should pay to them a sum of £600, by way of repaying the cost of cable laid by the Company, and that if this were done they would supply any current required by the works, at the price of one penny per unit.

Meeting allow matter to drop.

The meeting, after consideration, could not see their way to entertain the proposals of the Company, and the matter was accordingly allowed to drop.

Boilers.—Insurance company's reports.

There was submitted to the meeting reports by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited, of the results of the examination of Nos. 1 and 2 Lancashire Boilers, and No. 3 Babcock Water-tube Boiler, which were satisfactory.

Coal contract.—Flemington Coal Company's offer accepted.

The Clerk laid before the meeting offers which had been received for the supply of coal for the year ending 30th September, 1914, and the same having been considered, the meeting authorised the acceptance of the Flemington Coal Company's offer to supply Gateside Singles at 11s. 9d. per ton, provided that the Resident Engineer found the coal satisfactory after testing a sample truck.

Consulting engineer's fee.—Payment to account.

The meeting considered a request by Mr. J. M. M. Munro, for a payment of the balance of his fee as consulting engineer in regard to recent extensions, and the Clerk was authorised to make a payment of £15 to account.

Resident engineer's salary increased.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, from the Resident Engineer, asking for an increase of salary, and, after consideration, it was agreed to increase his salary from £170 to £185 per annum.

APPENDIX I.

LANARK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Electricity and Destructor Works,
Bothwell Street,
Cambuslang, N.B., 13*th September*, 1913.

Thomas Munro, Esq.,
County Clerk,
Hamilton.

Dear Sir,

I beg to report on these works, since date of last Committee meeting. I have to report that all steam and electrical plant have been overhauled during the summer months, and put to work for the season. The boilers have been inspected and favourably reported upon by the Insurance Company. From April to August six cable faults came on the Mains. All those were caused by the outside parties, and could have been averted had the people concerned advised this Department before beginning excavating work. None of the faults were of a serious nature, all being put right in a few hours on the same day as they occurred. The minor painting work sanctioned by the Committee has been completed. At present the storage battery is being overhauled by the E.P Storage Company on maintenance contract and the work is now well forward.

It is becoming a very difficult matter to carry out monthly flue cleaning on the Destructor, owing to the extended use of the Destructor plant (sixteen hours per day instead of eight, as formerly). Until recently it has been possible to go into the flues after the plant has been left off to cool for forty hours, *i.e.* Saturday night midnight until Monday morning. The Sunday evening shift is worked by the coal fired boiler, and this, working on the common flue to chimney, helps in a great measure to keep up the flue temperature. I herewith send you plan of the flues and suggest that a fire-brick lined door be inserted in the flue at the point marked red in the plan. By using the W.T. boiler on Sunday evenings, and using this door as an alternative path for cooling down the Destructor flues, the desired result will be obtained.

I have to report that the makers of the W.T. boiler carried out a test on full load on that unit, and no sign of secondary combustion took place during the run. This in the month of May.

I am pleased to inform you that in the past four months about fifty new private lighting and power consumers have been connected to the system. I herewith enclose the "Works Record" since my last report.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

D. M. EUNSON,
Resident Engineer.

WORKS' RECORD.

1913. Week ending	Units Generated Refuse.	Units Generated Coal.	Units sold Street Lighting.	Units used in Gen. Station.	Water used. Gallons.	Coal used. T.	C.	Q.	Refuse Destroyed. T.	C.	Q.	Units Bought Clyde Valley.	Total Units Generated.	Total Units Corresponding Period last Year.
April 5,*	2,737	342	1,559	91	40,230	2	12	2	145	2	0	...	3,079	2,737
,, 12,	2,902	120	1,523	86	40,730	1	1	0	129	13	0	...	3,022	2,422
,, 19,	2,550	287	1,432	90	38,970	1	15	0	152	7	0	...	2,837	2,305
,, 26,	2,601	...	1,316	72	39,030		...		132	8	2	...	2,601	2,188
May 3,*	2,318	230	1,272	76	34,600	3	0	0	141	1	3	...	2,548	2,116
,, 10,	2,535	20	1,222	74	35,690	4	4	0	130	1	0	...	2,555	1,957
,, 17,	1,408	...	...	67	26,720		...		152	3	0	...	1,408	1,762
,, 24,	1,364	...	...	60	30,570		...		133	19	0	...	1,364	1,152
,, 31,	1,280	...	...	60	31,850		...		130	0	1	...	1,280	1,166
June 6,*	...	888	...	42	24,420	9	5	2	23	11	2	495	1,266	1,129
,, 13,	1,216	...	...	47	31,730		...		134	1	2	...	1,216	1,017
,, 20,	1,274	...	...	41	27,370		...		118	15	0	...	1,274	969
,, 28,	1,061	16	...	40	22,090	0	7	0	124	19	0	...	1,077	979
July 5,*	1,047	...	...	36	16,920		...		118	15	2	...	1,047	933
,, 12,	826	67	...	41	26,820	1	8	0	122	11	0	...	893	952
,, 19,	891	...	...	44	25,980		...		115	0	2	...	891	760
,, 26,	698	...	...	46	20,300		...		82	3	2	...	698	849
Aug. 2,*	940	...	...	48	26,510	0	7	0	105	13	2	...	940	1,058
,, 9,	1,312	65	164	48	29,030	1	4	2	110	14	0	...	1,377	1,346
,, 16,	1,912	168	1,148	54	30,520	1	4	2	125	3	0	...	2,080	2,102
,, 23,*	2,239	...	1,233	58	34,860	0	10	2	119	1	2	...	2,239	2,228

* Denotes Flue Cleaning.

D. M. EUNSON,
Resident Engineer.

APPENDIX II.

CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

STATEMENT OF ELECTRICITY GENERATED, SOLD, &c.

Year.	Generated B. T. units.	Public Lamps.	Contract.	Private Consumers.	Total maximum supply demanded.	Number of Consumers.
1909-1910	127,622	57,060	14,262	41,205	120 K.W.	200
1910-1911	153,723	55,290	13,988	56,124	125 K.W.	240
1911-1912	159,471	60,024	165,28	56,530	130 K.W.	290
1912-1913	180,500	73,605	16,687	68,707	180 K.W.	350

RECEIPTS.

Year to			
15th May, 1910, ...	...	£1,272	17 5
Do.. 1911, ...	...	1,434	5 0
Do., 1912, ...	...	1,511	15 0
Do., 1913, ...	...	1,793	4 10

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers, there, upon Friday, 25th April, 1913 years, at 2.20 p.m., being a Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. 25th April, 1913.

Explosives Committee.

Present—

Thomas Arnot, Esq.	John Jackson, Esq.
William Barr, Esq.	Alex. R. Mitchell, Esq.
W. L. Dyer, Esq.	Geo. Stalker, Esq.
Charles A. Easson, Esq.	James Steel, Esq.

John Todd, Esq.

Mr. Arnot in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the meeting of the committee held on 31st January, 1913, were submitted and approved, and signed by the chairman. *Minutes of last meeting*

The Clerk read his report, which was in the following terms:— *Clerk's report.*

Office of the Clerk of the Peace,
Hamilton, *25th April*, 1913.

Gentlemen,

I beg to report that, as instructed at last meeting, I wrote in the terms directed to the three persons against whom there were submitted police informations, charging them with contraventions of the Explosives Act. The accused were John Kennedy, lampman at Whistleberry Colliery, Blantyre, Elizabeth Cather, confectioner, Millburn Street, Motherwell, and Robert Semple, colliery owner, New Struther Colliery, Birkenshaw.

Since last meeting, the following applications for new licenses for stores for mixed explosives (which had been examined and favourably reported on by the Inspectors) have been granted and licenses issued to the applicants upon the instructions of the chairman, viz.:—

Hamilton, M'Culloch & Co. Ltd., coalmasters, per John Clarkson, secretary, 75 Bothwell Street, Glasgow, for Home Farm Colliery (Parish of Hamilton), Division B.

The United Collieries Limited, coalmasters, 109 Hope Street, Glasgow, per David Paterson, storeman, for Belhaven Colliery (Parish of Dalziel), Division C.

Duncan Ferguson, colliery manager, No. 1 Loanend Cottages, Newton, for No. 3 Dechmont Colliery (Parish of Cambuslang), Division B.

25th April. 1913.

Since last meeting, there have also been issued the following five new registrations, viz. :—

James M'Callum, lampman, Craighead Colliery, Blantyre, for Craighead Colliery, Blantyre (mixed explosives).

Archibald Russell, Ltd., coalmasters, per Duncan Ferguson, manager, No. 1 Loanend Cottages, Newton, for No. 3 Pit, Dechmont Colliery, Newton (mixed explosives).

John Watson, Ltd., coalmasters, Cambuslang, per William Gray, storeman, 150 Hallside, Newton, for Gilbertfield Colliery, Cambuslang (mixed explosives).

H. M. M'Neill Hamilton, coalmaster, Netherburn, per William Chambers, secretary, for Bentrigg Colliery, Netherburn (mixed explosives).

Mrs. Barr, fancy goods merchant, 9 Greenrigg Street, Uddingston, for 9 Greenrigg Street, Uddingston.

Your obedient Servant,

D. W. HIDDLESTON,
Depute Clerk.

To the Explosives Committee
for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward
of the County of Lanark.

Appointment of Inspector.

The Clerk read a letter of date 24th April, from Deputy Chief Constable Morrison, Hamilton, intimating that Mr. Alexander Anderson, who was Superintendent of Police in the Hamilton Division and Inspector under the Explosives Act, had ceased to be a member of the Lanarkshire Constabulary on 15th March last.

In respect that the committee were informed by the Clerk that Superintendent Anderson had not been discharging the duties of his office as Inspector since his retiral from the Constabulary, and that he was not now resident in the district, the committee resolved that his appointment as Inspector under the Act be cancelled, and further resolved to appoint Mr. Alexander Taylor (Mr. Anderson's successor as Superintendent of Police in the Hamilton Division) to be Inspector under the Act for the Hamilton Division of the district, and to recommend that he be paid the same salary as was paid to Mr. Anderson, namely, £20 per annum.

Inspector Moir's report.

The following report by Superintendent Moir, Motherwell, Inspector under the Act, was read to the meeting, viz. :—

Lanarkshire Constabulary,
Motherwell, 24*th April*, 1913.

Gentlemen,

I have to report for your information, that during my inspections of the various stores and registered premises in this division, since your last meeting, I have found them in a satisfactory condition, and no infringements of the Act have been seen or reported.

I am, Sirs,

Your obedient Servant,

ALEXANDER MOIR,
Superintendent.

To the Explosives Committee
for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward
of the County of Lanark.

Police information.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a police information charging Henry Carr, miner, residing at 4 Smithy Row, Cadzow, Hamilton, with keeping 3½ pounds weight of explosives in an unauthorised place, viz.—within a dwelling-house at 14 Bog Rows, Hamilton, occupied by him from 15th to 23rd April, 1913. The committee resolved to recommend a prosecution and the Clerk was instructed accordingly.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At AIRDRIE, and within the Office of Mr. J. Dunn Russell, J.P. Clerk-Depute, there, the 8th day of May, 1913, at a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanarkshire, appointed for the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of said County.

8th May, 1913.

Explosives Committee.
(Airdrie District).

Present—

JAMES PRENTICE, Esq. | ROBERT SHARP, Esq.

Attending—

Mr. J. DUNN RUSSELL, as Clerk to the Committee.

Mr. DAVID PENNIE, Superintendent of Police, as Inspector of Explosives for said District.

Mr. ROBERT SHARP, presiding. *Chairman.*

The Clerk read the circular calling the meeting. *Circular calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting were read over and approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting an application which had been lodged with him by the Glenboig Union Fire Clay Company, Limited (Richard Baxter, Secretary), for store to keep mixed explosives in premises at Glenboig under Division D. *Application for new Store License.*

The meeting having considered said application, together with the Inspector's report engrossed thereon, agreed to grant the same, and authorised Mr. Russell, as Clerk to the Local Authority, to sign and issue the necessary certificate, the same to expire on 30th March, 1914.

(Signed) ROBERT SHARP.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At AIRDRIE, and within the Office of Mr. J. Dunn Russell, J.P. Clerk-Depute, there, the Ninth day of June, Nineteen hundred and thirteen, at a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanarkshire appointed for the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of said County. — 9th June, 1913.

Explosives Committee (Airdrie District).

Present—

W. W. Chapman, Esq. | Thomas Watt, Esq.

Attending—

Mr. J. Dunn Russell, as Clerk to the Committee.

Mr. David Pennie, Superintendent of Police, as Inspector of Explosives for said District

Mr. W. W. Chapman presiding. — *Chairman.*

The Clerk read the circular calling the meeting. — *Circular calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting were read over and approved of. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting an application which had been lodged with him by Messrs. Curtis's & Harvey, Ltd., manufacturers of explosives, 82 Mitchell Street, Glasgow, for store to keep mixed explosives in premises at Whiterigg, under Division D. — *Application for new store license.*

The meeting, having considered said application, together with the Inspector's report engrossed thereon, agreed to grant the same, and authorised Mr. Russell, as Clerk to the Local Authority, to sign and issue the necessary certificate, the same to expire on 30th March, 1914.

(Sgd.) W. W. CHAPMAN.

At AIRDRIE, and within the Office of Mr. J. Dunn Russell, J.P. Clerk-Depute there, the Third day of July, Nineteen hundred and thirteen, at a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanarkshire appointed for the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of said County. — 3rd July, 1913.

Explosives Committee (Airdrie District).

Present—

Colonel Buchanan. | W. W. Chapman, Esq.

Attending—

Mr. J. Dunn Russell, as Clerk to the Committee.

Mr. David Pennie, Superintendent of Police, as Inspector of Explosives for said District.

Mr. W. W. Chapman presiding. — *Chairman.*

The Clerk read the circular calling the meeting. — *Circular calling meeting.*

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting were read over and approved of.

Application for new store license.

The Clerk laid before the meeting an application which had been lodged with him by the Mount Vernon Colliery Company, Ltd., and James Baxter, Secretary, Coalmasters, 45 Hope Street, Glasgow, for new store license to keep mixed explosives in premises at Barrachnie, under Division B.

The meeting, having considered said application, together with the Inspector's report engrossed thereon, agreed to grant the same, and authorised Mr. Russell, as Clerk to the Local Authority, to sign and issue the necessary certificate, the same to expire on 30th March, 1914.

(Sgd.) W. W. CHAPMAN.

10th July, 1913.

At AIRDRIE, and within the Chambers of Mr. J. Dunn Russell, J.P. Clerk-Depute there, the Tenth day of July, Nineteen hundred and thirteen, at a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanarkshire appointed for the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of said County.

Explosives Committee (Airdrie District).

Present—

W. W. Chapman, Esq. | John Loudon, Esq.

Attending—

Mr. J. Dunn Russell, as Clerk to the Committee.

Chairman.

Mr. John Loudon in the Chair.

Circular calling meeting.

The Clerk read the circular calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting were read over and approved of.

Applications for new magazines.

The Clerk submitted applications by Messrs. Hunter & Warren, Limited, factors for explosives, 19 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, for the committee's assent to the establishment of two magazines for authorised explosives at Bogleshole Farm, Tollcross, in the Parish of Old Monkland and County of Lanark, in terms of two draft licenses by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in virtue of the Explosives Act, 1875, Section 7. The meeting fixed Wednesday, the 3rd day of September, 1913, at twelve o'clock noon, in the County Council Rooms, County Buildings, Glasgow, as the time and place of meeting of the Local Authority to hear the applicants and parties having objections to the establishment of said magazines, in terms of said Act, and the meeting instructed intimation of the applications to be made in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper of 18th July, and in the *Airdrie Advertiser* newspaper of 19th July, 1913.

(Sgd.) JOHN LOUDON.

3rd September, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Rooms, County Buildings, there, the Third day of September, Nineteen hundred and thirteen, at a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanarkshire appointed for the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of said County.

Explosives Committee (Airdrie District).

Present—

Robert Sharp, Esq. | John Loudon, Esq.

Attending—

Mr. J. Dunn Russell as Clerk to the Committee.

Chairman.

Mr. Sharp in the Chair.

The Clerk read the circular calling the meeting. *Circular calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting were read over and approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The meeting, having taken into consideration applications by Messrs. Hunter & Warren, Ltd., factors for explosives, 19 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, for the committee's assent to the establishment of two magazines for authorised explosives at Bogleshole Farm, Tollcross, in the Parish of Old Monkland and County of Lanark, evidence was produced to the meeting of the due publication of the notice of said applications advertised in the newspapers of dates referred to in the minutes of the meeting of the committee held on 10th day of July last. The Clerk stated that no note of objection had been lodged with him to either of said applications. The meeting, having heard a representative of the applicants, who was in attendance at the meeting, and having considered the said applications and whole other papers relative thereto, agreed to grant the committee's assent to the establishment of said magazines, and the members present signed a certificate of assent accordingly on each application, and authorised the Clerk to deliver the same, with the said papers, to the applicants, all in terms of the Statute. *Applications for new magazines.*

(Sgd.) ROBERT SHARP.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, *8th December, 1913.*

SIR,

I have, as Returning Officer at the recent Election of County Councillors for the County, given you notice of your election, and that the FIRST MEETING of the COUNCIL is to be held within the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *upon Wednesday, 17th December current, at Half-past One o'Clock Afternoon,* for the purposes specified in the Statute.

In supplement to that notice, I am to state that, at the Meeting in question, it will fall to the Council to appoint a Convener of the County and, if so resolved, a Vice-Convener. It will also fall to the Council to appoint then their quotas of the several Licensing and Appeal Courts for the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards, the County Road Board, the Council's quota of the Lanark District Lunacy Board, the Local Pension Committee, and four members to represent the County on the Committees for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Barlinnie and Duke Street), and they may, if so agreed, appoint other Committees and their quota of other Boards and Commissions.

There is sent herewith a print of the Minutes of the October Statutory Meeting of the last Council.

Copies of Reports and Minutes of Committees, and other papers will be circulated before the date of Meeting, and these the Meeting may, if so resolved, consider and dispose of.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW

(Entrance by 40 Wilson Street),

On WEDNESDAY, 17th DECEMBER, 1913,

At Half-past One o'Clock Afternoon.

AGENDA.

1. The County Clerk as Returning Officer will submit his Return of persons elected to the County Council, and intimations of appointments of representatives of Burghs.

   Sederunt to be taken.

2. Notices calling meeting.

3. Councillors to intimate acceptance of Office.

4. Appoint Convener for year to December, 1914.

5. Appoint, if so resolved, Vice-Convener for year to December, 1914.

6. Submit Standing Orders.

7. Submit Minutes of last meeting of Council, of date 9th October, 1913.

8. Appoint County Road Board (30).

9. Appoint Quota of Joint-Bridges Committee (5).

10. Appoint Quota of Lanark District Lunacy Board (12).

11. Appoint Quota of Committee for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Barlinnie and Duke Street) (4).

12. Appoint Quotas of Licensing and Appeal Courts:—

(1) Upper Ward—Licensing Court—6 members;
Appeal Court—9 members;

(2) Middle Ward—Licensing Courts—

District No. 1 (Parishes of Avondale, East Kilbride, Glasford, Stonehouse, Dalserf, Cambusnethan, and Dalziel) —6 members;

District No. 2 (Parishes of Hamilton, Blantyre, and Cambuslang)—6 members;

District No. 3 (Parish of Bothwell)—6 members;

District No. 4 (Parishes of New Monkland, Old Monkland, and Shotts)—6 members;

Appeal Court—9 members;

(3) Lower Ward—Licensing Court—6 members;
Appeal Court—9 members.

13. Appoint Quota of County Insurance Committee.

14. Appoint Quota of the Glasgow Court House Commission (11).

15. Appoint Local Pension Committee.

16. Appoint Representatives to County Councils' Association.

17. If so agreed, appoint or arrange for the appointment of the following Committees, viz.:—

(*a*) Quota of Standing Joint-Committee (7);

(*b*) Executive Committee under Diseases of Animals Acts;

(*c*) Finance Committee;

(*d*) Valuation Committees (Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards);

(*e*) Committee for Managing Court Houses and County Buildings at Hamilton (15);

(*f*) Committee for Managing Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark;

(*g*) Parliamentary Bills Committee;

(*h*) Special Committee under the Unemployed Workmen Act, 1905;

(*i*) Fire Brigades Committee;

(*j*) Explosives Committees for (1) Lanark, (2) Hamilton, (3) Airdrie, and (4) Glasgow Justice of Peace Districts;

(*k*) Weights and Measures Committee;

(*l*) Public Health Committee;

(*m*) Committee on Special Districts under Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894;

(*n*) Committee on Appeals against Rates;

(*o*) Committee under Inebriates Acts;

(*p*) Committee on Elections;

(*q*) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c. ;

(*r*) Electric Lighting Orders Committee ;

(*s*) General Purposes Committee ;

(*t*) Committee on National Insurance Act ;

(*u*) Business Committee ;

Any other Committees.

18. Report of Consent of Standing Joint-Committee.

19. Report by County Analyst under Food and Drugs Acts for quarter ending 30th September, 1913.

20. Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.—No analysis for quarter ending 30th September, 1913.

21. Abstract of Valuation for the year 1913-14.

22. Minutes of the following Committees, &c. :—

(1) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 8th (page 1) and 29th (page 30) October and 26th November, 1913 (page 33).

Sub-Committee on Lanark County Tramways, of dates 29th October (page 31) and 4th (page 35) and 19th November, 1913 (page 36).

(2) Elections Committee, of date 15th October, 1913 (page 41).

Sub-Committee *re* Appointment of Additional Members for Glasgow Parish (Landward), of date 22nd October, 1913 (page 44).

(3) Committee on Special Districts, of date 22nd October, 1913 (page 45).

(4) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 22nd October (page 47) and 26th November, 1913 (page 53).

(5) Finance Committee, of date 5th November, 1913 (page 57).

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £40 for the provision and erection of additional lamp-pillars and lamps at Burnhead and Hareleeshill, within the Larkhall Special Lighting District.

(*b*) £200 for the laying of pipes in connection with the introduction of gravitation water to Sandford Village, in the Parish of Stonehouse.

(*c*) £75 for a widening and improvement of Carmyle Avenue Highway at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland.

(*d*) £940, being additional cost of new slaughter-house at Baillieston.

(*e*) £100 for the widening and improvement of Overton Highway, in the Parish of Cambuslang.

(*f*) (i) £330, being additional cost of construction of sewers ; and (ii) £120, being additional cost of construction of sewage disposal works, both within the Carmunnock Special Drainage District.

(*g*) £1,000 for the laying of a sewer for the drainage of the westend of Chryston, within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

(*h*) (i) £640, being additional cost of construction of sewers ; and (ii) £330, being additional cost of construction of sewage disposal works, both within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

(*i*) £200, being additional cost of construction of sewers within the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Drainage District.

(6) Sub-Committee on Lanark Court-Houses, &c., of date 10th November, 1913 (page 63).

(7) Executive Committee, of date 12th November, 1913 (page 65).

(8) General Purposes Committee, of date 12th November, 1913 (page 73).

(9) Committee on National Insurance Act, of dates 19th (page 79), and 26th November, 1913 (page 81).

(10) County Road Board, of date 19th November, 1913 (page 83).

(11) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 26th November, 1913 (page 101).

(12) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of date 31st October, 1913.

23. Notice of Application by the Glasgow Corporation for a Provisional Order, entitled the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Provisional Order.

If so agreed, remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee, with power to take such action as may be necessary to conserve the interests of the County Council and District Committees.

24. Communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, containing a resolution by the District Committee forming a Special Drainage District in the Parish of Bothwell to include Carnbroe.

25. Document for signature:—

Feu Contract, between Mrs. Emily Gertrude Lilias Stewart Grossett Muirhead Campbell, with consent, and the County Council, of the site of the proposed Slaughter-house at Baillieston.

Any other competent business.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Hall there, upon Thursday, 9th October, 1913, at Twelve o'clock noon, being the October Statutory Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, convened and met as required by Statute, and intimated and called in terms of the Notice hereinafter inserted. 9th October, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
John Baxter.
James Cameron.
Walter C.B. Christie.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D.I.O. Gold
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
John Loudon.
William Love.
William Neilson.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
John Todd.
John M. Loudon.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.
William M. Marshall.
James T. Macdonald.

Chairman. The Clerk having intimated an apology from the Convener of the County, on account of absence in Canada, Mr. William Neilson, Vice-Convener of the County, took the Chair.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting in terms of Section 73 (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *30th September, 1913.*

Sir,

I am directed to intimate that the Statutory October Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Hamilton, *on Thursday, 9th proximo, at Twelve o'clock noon,* for the purpose of receiving a Report of Consent to Capital Works and Borrowing by the Standing Joint-Committee, and of receiving and disposing of Minutes of the County Road Board

and the Finance Committee and other Committees, of which copies will be sent to Members of the Council before the date of Meeting; of fixing the rate in the pound of the rateable property which is necessary to meet the deficiency in the County Fund in respect of each branch of expenditure subject to the control of the Council, or for which it is responsible in whole or in part; and of imposing the same on the lands and heritages in the County, or within the divisions or districts thereof, as the case may be and as the law directs—all for the year ending 15th May, 1914.

There will be submitted to the Meeting Reports by the County Road Board and the Finance Committee, prints of which will be sent to the Members of the Council before the date of Meeting.

There will also be submitted to the Meeting a communication from the Secretary for Scotland regarding certain alterations on the Lanark Sheriff Court Houses, with a view to providing improved safe accommodation and also a caretaker's house. The Meeting may, if so resolved, approve of these proposals.

As required by Statute, it will fall to the meeting to appoint a representative on the Clyde Navigation Trust, and also to appoint the Returning Officer for the Elections of the County Council and the Parish Councils, which will take place next December.

Prints of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 8th May, and of the Special Meeting held on 11th June, are sent herewith.

I subjoin Notice of Motion which has been given to me.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of motion by Mr. J. RAESIDE AULD, countersigned by Mr. WILLIAM SYM—

"That the Lower Ward of Lanarkshire be amalgamated with the Middle Ward of Lanarkshire."

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 8th May, 1913, and of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 11th June, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Resignation of Mr. Alexander R. Mitchell as the representative of Stonefield Electoral Division.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. Alexander R. Mitchell dated 30th September, 1913, intimating, on account of the condition of his health, his resignation as the representative of the Stonefield Electoral Division. The meeting expressed their sympathy with Mr. Mitchell, and their hope for his speedy recovery.

The meeting, in view of the proximity of the date of the election of a new Council, did not think it expedient to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Mitchell's resignation.

Clyde Navigation Trust.—Appointment of representative.

The meeting unanimously re-appointed Mr. William Speirs to be one of the Council's representatives on the Clyde Navigation Trust.

Lanarkshire Territorial Force Association.—Appointment of Representatives.

The meeting appointed the following to represent this County Council on the Lanarkshire Territorial Force Association, viz:—

Colonel BUCHANAN. GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix I. to this minute), which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council. *Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a report of the County Road Board (forming Appendix II. to this minute), which had also been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council. *Report of County Road Board.*

The Clerk submitted evidence of the advertisement and a certificate of the posting of notices, as required by the Act, together with a certificate by the Road Surveyor that the following road recommended to be assumed a highway was in a condition to be taken over, viz. :— *Roads added to List of Highways.*

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

Parish of Dalziel—

Tinker's Lane, from Motherwell Highway to Airbles Highways, measuring 1 furlong 40 yards, or thereby.

The report of the County Road Board was unanimously adopted, and the meeting resolved that the said road be added to the List of Highways made up in terms of Section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878.

The meeting also unanimously approved of the resolution of the County Road Board to construct the following Bridges, viz:— *Construction of Bridges.*

IN THE DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

Parish of Douglas—

(1) Tablestone Bridge over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, at an estimated cost of £524 10s

(2) Jeanfield Flood Bridge over Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway, at an estimated cost of £302.

There was laid before the meeting a report of the Finance Committee, together with the estimates therein referred to (forming Appendix III. to this minute), which report and estimates had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council. *Report of Finance Committee and Estimates.*

The meeting, in accordance with the Report of the Finance Committee, and subject to the adjustments in the Estimates of the Law Special Water District, and the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Scavenging District, assessed, and do hereby assess, in virtue of the Local Government (Scotland) Acts, 1889 to 1908, the Lanarkshire County Council Order Confirmation Act, 1907, and of the several other Acts hereinafter referred to and for the purposes thereof, the following rates and assessments upon the lands and heritages in the County, and in the several districts and divisions and parishes thereof, and in the respective Special Water Supply Districts, Special Drainage Districts, Special Lighting Districts, and Special Scavenging Districts, all hereinafter mentioned, and upon all lands and heritages within the limits of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts, 1892 to 1913, and also upon all lands and heritages liable to be assessed to the Sewage Purification Assessment under and in virtue of the Glasgow Corporation (Sewage, &c.) Act, 1898, the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1901, the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1903, the Glasgow Corporation Act 1909, the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order Confirmation Act, 1903, the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Order, 1903, as confirmed by the

Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1903, the Cambuslang Electric Lighting (Extension) Order, 1910, as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1910, and the Bellshill Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Blantyre Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Bothwell Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Shettleston and Tollcross Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Uddingston Electric Lighting Order 1906, all as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1906, according to the yearly value of such lands and heritages as the same is established by the Valuation Roll for the year from 15th May, 1913, to 15th May, 1914, made up under the Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act, 17 and 18 Vict., cap. 91, and amending Acts, but subject always, in the case of assessments leviable on occupiers of "agricultural lands and heritages," to the provisions of the Agricultural Rates, &c., (Scotland) Act, 1896, 59 and 60 Vict., cap. 37; the Agricultural Rates, 1896, &c., Continuance Act, 1901, 1 Edw. VII., cap. 13; the Agricultural Rates, 1896, &c., Continuance Act, 1905, 5 Edw. VII., and the Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1912; that is to say—

Police Assessment.

I.—Under and for the purposes of the Act 20 and 21 Vict., cap. 72, intituled "An Act to render more effectual the POLICE in Counties and Burghs in Scotland," and other relative Acts, and that in the several districts into which the County has been from time to time divided in terms thereof, as follows:—

Hamilton District.

(1) In the HAMILTON POLICE DISTRICT of the Middle Ward, at the rate of threepence and seventy one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Motherwell District.

(2) In the MOTHERWELL POLICE DISTRICT of the Middle Ward, at the rate of twopence and ninety-one one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Lanark District.

(3) In the LANARK POLICE DISTRICT, including the Burgh of Lanark, at the rate of twopence and thirty-six one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Airdrie District.

(4) In the AIRDRIE POLICE DISTRICT, at the rate of fourpence and twenty-nine one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Lower Ward District.

(5) In the LOWER WARD POLICE DISTRICT, at the rate of twopence and eighty-eight one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

County General Assessment.

II.—Under and for the purposes of the County General Assessment (Scotland) Act, 1868, the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, and the Sheriff Court Houses (Scotland) Acts, 1860 to 1884, and any other relative Acts, and that in the several districts into which the County has been divided for the purposes of these Acts, as follows, viz.:—

(1) In that district of the County which formed part of the Northern Prison District under the Prisons (Scotland) Administration Acts (Lanarkshire) Amendment Act, 1868, at the rate of ninety-one one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(2) In that district of the County which formed part of the Southern Prison District under the Act last-mentioned, at the rate of eighty-nine one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(3) In the Hamilton Sheriff Court District of the Middle Ward of the County, as defined in Section 22 of the Sheriff Court Houses Act, 1860, at the rate of six one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, and that over and above, and as in addition to, the above rate of eighty-nine one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

III.—Under and for the purposes of the County Voters Registration (Scotland) Act, 1861, at the rate of thirty-one one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County. *Voters Registration Act.*

IV.—Under and for the purposes of the Diseases of Animals Acts, at the rate of twenty-two one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County, including the Police Burghs and the Burghs of Lanark and Coatbridge—one-half thereof payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages. *Diseases of Animals Acts.*

V.—Under and for the purposes of the Act 20 and 21 Vict., cap. 71 (Lunacy), and other relative Acts, and that in the districts after-mentioned, as follows:— *Lunacy Rate.*

(1) In the Lanark Lunacy District, that is in the whole County, with the exception of the Parish of Govan and that part of the Parish of Glasgow situated in the County, at the rate of one penny and ninety-seven one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound. *Lanark District.*

(2) In the Glasgow Lunacy District, that is in that part of the Parish of Glasgow (formerly known as the Barony Parish) situated within the County of Lanark, at the rate of twopence and twenty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound upon all lands and heritages within the said district—one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages. *Glasgow District.*

And which several rates hereby imposed so far as the same were leviable by the Commissioners of Supply at the passing of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in respect of any branch of expenditure, and payable by owners only without relief to the extent of one-half against the occupiers, shall be payable as follows, that is to say, the average rate as ascertained and determined in the manner in the said last-mentioned Act provided, and as the amount thereof in the case of the County and of the several districts and divisions thereof, and as regards the several rates, is recorded in the Sheriff Court Books of the County, of date the 15th day of August, 1890, and in the minutes of the Council, of date the 21st day of October, 1890, is and shall be paid by the owners of such lands and heritages only, and where the amount which is required, and which is hereby assessed, exceeds such average rate, the portion of the rate beyond and in excess of such average rate shall be payable by owners and occupiers equally.

VI.—A General Purposes Rate, under and by virtue of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, at the rate of sixty-four one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound on all lands and heritages in the County, one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages, and an additional assessment of six one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, under and by virtue of the Children Act, 1908, and the Shops Act, 1912, upon all lands and heritages in the County, excluding Police Burghs, but including the Burgh of Lanark for the purposes of the Children Act, one-half thereof being payable by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of such lands and heritages. *General Purposes.*

VII.—Under and for the purposes of the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and (1) the following Electric Lighting Orders, as confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1906, viz., the Bellshill Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Blantyre Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Bothwell Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Shettleston and Tollcross Electric Lighting Order, 1906, the Uddingston Electric Lighting Order, 1906; and (2) the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Orders, 1903 and 1910, as confirmed respectively by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1903, and the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1910— *Electric Lighting Orders.*

(1) Within the Special Lighting District of Bellshill, as constituted at the commencement of the Bellshill Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of one penny and eighty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

Within the Special Lighting District of Blantyre, as constituted at the commencement of the Blantyre Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

Within the Special Lighting District of Bothwell, as constituted at the commencement of the Bothwell Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound:

Within the Special Lighting District of Shettleston, as constituted at the commencement of the Shettleston and Tollcross Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

Within the Special Lighting District of Uddingston, as constituted at the commencement of the Uddingston Electric Lighting Order, 1906, at the rate of one penny and forty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound; and

(2) Within the Special Lighting District of Cambuslang, as constituted at the commencement of the Cambuslang Electric Lighting (Extension) Order, 1910, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

each of the above several rates being levied as part of the General Purposes Rate before referred to, and imposed one-half upon the owners, and the other half upon the occupiers of all lands and heritages within the said respective special lighting districts, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

Roads and Bridges.

VIII.—Under and for the purposes of the ROADS AND BRIDGES (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1878, as follows:—

Maintenance.

1. For the maintenance and management of Highways in the several districts into which the County is divided by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as follows:—

Upper Ward.

(*a*) In the District of the Upper Ward of the County, exclusive of the Police Burgh of Biggar, at the rate of one shilling and a penny and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the district;

Middle Ward.

(*b*) In the District of the Middle Ward of the County, exclusive of the Police Burghs of Motherwell and Wishaw, at the rate of tenpence in the pound, one-half payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the district; and

Lower Ward.

(*c*) In the District of the Lower Ward of the County at the rate of eightpence in the pound, one half thereof payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the district.

Public Health Acts.

IX.—Under and for the purposes of THE PUBLIC HEALTH (SCOTLAND) ACTS, as follows:—

Upper Ward.

In the District of the Upper Ward of the County—

1. For purposes of Public Health at the rate of threepence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said district, according to the annual value thereof.

2. In the following Special Districts of the District of the Upper Ward of the County, and for the purposes thereof:— *Special Districts.*

(1) *Blackwood Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and sixpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *Braidwood Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(3) *Carluke Special Water District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(4) *Carluke Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(5) *Carnwath Special Water District*, at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(6) *Carnwath Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(7) *Crawford Special Water District*, at the rate of sevenpence in the pound;

(8) *Crosslaw Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(9) *Douglas Special Water District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(10) *Douglas Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(11) *Forth Special Water District*, at the rate of two shillings and eightpence in the pound;

(12) *Kirkfieldbank Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(13) *Law Special Water District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(14) *Law Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(15) *Lesmahagow Special Water District*, at the rate of elevenpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(16) *Lesmahagow Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in pound;

(17) *Roberton Special Water District*, at the rate of two shillings and twopence in the pound;

(18) *Symington Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and threepence in the pound;

(19) *Thankerton Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(20) *Thankerton Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

one-half of each of the above several rates being imposed upon the owners and the other half upon the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, rateably according to the annual value thereof.

In the District of the Middle Ward of the County, as follows:— *Middle Ward (Public Health).*

1. For the purposes of Public Health, at the rate of sixpence and ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers of all lands and heritages within the said district, according to the annual value thereof.

Middle Ward Water.

2. For the purposes of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts, 1892 to 1913 (55 and 56 Vict., cap. 169; 59 and 60 Vict., cap. 68; 62 and 63 Vict., cap. 70; 2 Edw. VII., cap. 250; 8 Edw. VII., cap. 119; and 3 Geo. V., cap. 160)—

Public Water Rate.

(*a*) Upon all lands and heritages within the limits of supply as defined by these Acts, at the rate of threepence in the pound (being the Public Water Rate), one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all such lands and heritages.

Domestic Water Rate.

(*b*) Upon all lands and heritages within the limits of supply, as defined by these Acts, at the rate of one shilling in the pound (being the Domestic Water Rate), one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all such lands and heritages, subject to the variations provided by the statute.

Special Drainage Districts

3. In the following Special Drainage Districts of the Middle Ward District of the County, and for the purposes of these special districts, as follows:—

(1) *Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *Baillieston Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(3) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(4) *Blantyre Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(5) *Bothwell Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Busby Special Drainage District*, at the rate of elevenpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(7) *Cambuslang Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(8) *Carfin and Cleekhimin Special Drainage District*, at the rate of eightpence in the pound.

(9) *Chapelhall Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(10) *Cleland and Omoa Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and a penny and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(11) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(12) *East Kilbride Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and a penny in the pound;

(13) *Hamilton Road Special Drainage District* at the rate of twopence in the pound.

(14) *Holytown Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(15) *Larkhall Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fivepence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

(16) *Mount Vernon Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(17) *Newmains Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(18) *New Stevenston Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(19) *Newton and Flemington Special Drainage District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(20) *Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(21) *Stonehouse Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(22) *Strathaven Special Drainage District*, at the rate of elevenpence in the pound;

(23) *Uddingston Special Drainage District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

one-half of each of the above several rates being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

In the District of the Lower Ward of the County— *Lower Ward District.*

1. For purposes of Public Health, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound, one-half thereof being payable by the owners, and the other half by the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said district, rateably according to the annual value of the lands and heritages therein.

2. In the following Special Districts of the District of the Lower Ward of the County, and for the purposes of these special districts, as follows:— *Special Water and Drainage Districts.*

(1) *North Cadder Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *South Cadder Special Water District*, at the rate of tenpence in the pound;

(3) *South Lenzie Special Water District*, at the rate of one shilling in the pound;

(4) *Barony Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty-eight one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound; and an additional assessment of twopence and one hundred one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound for the purposes of sewage purification to be levied in that portion of the Barony Special Drainage District outwith the Glasgow Sewage Purification area;

(5) *Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Carmunnock Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(7) *Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District*, at the rate of one shilling and twopence in the pound;

(8) *Rutherglen Special Drainage District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(9) *South Lenzie Special Drainage District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(10) *Stepps Special Drainage District*, at the rate of eightpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

ne-half of the rate in the case of each of these districts being payable by the wners, and the other half by the occupiers, rateably according to the annual alue of the lands and heritages within the same respectively.

Sewage Purification Assessment.—Lower Ward.

3. A Sewage Purification Assessment of fivepence and eighty-eight one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound in the Parish of Glasgow, and fourpence in the pound in the Parish of Rutherglen, upon all lands and heritages within the areas defined by the Glasgow Corporation (Sewage, &c.) Act, 1898, and the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1901, as read along with the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order Confirmation Act, 1903, and the Glasgow Corporation Act, 1909, so far as the same are now liable to be rated to the said assessment, which assessment shall be paid one-half by the owners and the other half by the occupiers of the lands and heritages upon which the same is imposed.

Special Lighting and Scavenging Districts.

X.—Under and for the purposes of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1894, as follows:—

Upper Ward.

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Upper Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:—

(1) *Carluke Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *Crosslaw Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(3) *Douglas Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(4) *Lesmahagow Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(5) *Carluke Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of one penny and ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Douglas Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence and ninety one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(7) *Leadhills Special Scavenging District* at the rate of ninepence in the pound;

(8) *Lesmahagow Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound.

Middle Ward.

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Middle Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:—

(1) *Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound.

(2) *Baillieston Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(3) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(4) *Blantyre Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(5) *Bothwell Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(6) *Bothwell Park Special Lighting District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(7) *Busby Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(8) *Calderbank Special Lighting District*, at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(9) *Cambuslang Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(10) *Carmyle Special Lighting District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(11) *Cleland and Omoa Special Lighting District,* at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(12) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Lighting District,* at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(13) *East Kilbride Special Lighting District,* at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(14) *Gartlea Special Lighting District,* at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(15) *Glengowan and Caldercruix Special Lighting District,* at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(16) *Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District,* at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(17) *Larkhall Special Lighting District,* at the rate of twopence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(18) *Newarthill Special Lighting District,* at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

(19) *Newmains Special Lighting District,* at the rate of twopence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(20) *North Mount Vernon Special Lighting District,* at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(21) *Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District,* at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(22) *Stonehouse Special Lighting District,* at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(23) *Strathaven Special Lighting District,* at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(24) *Uddingston Special Lighting District,* at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(25) *Baillieston Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(26) *Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of eightpence in the pound;

(27) *Blantyre Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(28) *Bothwell Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(29) *Cambuslang Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of fivepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(30) *Carmyle and Mount Vernon Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(31) *Dalzell and Netherton Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of one penny and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(32) *Gartlea Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(33) *Hamilton Road Special Scavengng District,* at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(34) *Holytown, New Stevenston and Carfin Special Scavenging District,* at the rate of eightpence in the pound;

(35) *Salsburgh Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of sixpence in the pound;

(36) *Strathaven Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence in the pound;

(37) *Uddingston Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence in the pound;

Lower Ward.

In the following Special Districts in the District of the Lower Ward of the County, and for the purposes of such special districts:—

(1) *Bishopbriggs Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(2) *Chryston and Muirhead Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(3) *Lambhill Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(4) *Millerston and Stepps Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(5) *North Shettleston Special Lighting District*, at the rate of threepence in the pound;

(6) *Rutherglen Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(7) *South Lenzie Special Lighting District*, at the rate of fivepence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(8) *Bishopbriggs and Auchinairn Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fourpence in the pound;

(9) *Chryston and Muirhead Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(10) *Rutherglen Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence and thirty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(11) *North Shettleston Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of fivepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(12) *South Lenzie Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of threepence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

(13) *Stepps Special Scavenging District*, at the rate of twopence and sixty one hundred and twentieth parts of a penny in the pound;

which several rates and assessments were and are hereby imposed, one-half upon the owners, and the other half upon the occupiers, of all lands and heritages within the said respective special districts, according to the annual value thereof in terms of Section 44 (6) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894 (57 and 58 Vict., cap. 58), as an addition to and in excess of the Public Health Rate.

Estimates.—Mileage of Highways, &c.

Mr. James Anderson having stated that it would be an advantage if the mileage of the roads could be given in the estimates, the Clerk explained that it had been his intention, next year, to prepare the estimates in such a form as would show not only the estimated expenditure as at present, but also the actual expenditure for the preceding year, and that he would, in addition, give the information referred to by Mr. Anderson.

Date for payment of Rates.

The meeting further resolved that the various rates above imposed shall be payable on or before the *31st December, 1913;* but it was remitted to the Finance Committee with power to postpone this date, and fix any other or others for all or any of the collection districts of the County, should they consider it expedient to do so.

It was agreed that appeals against the above rates should be lodged with the County Clerk before *24th December, 1913*, with power, however, to the Finance Committee to postpone this date and fix another, or others, as they may see fit. *Appeals against Rates.*

The meeting appointed the following committees for the hearing of appeals against rates, viz. :— *Appeals against Rates.—Committees appointed.*

For the District of the Upper Ward.

James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

For the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward.

Thomas Arnot.
James Cameron.
Thomas G. Cowan.
Alexander Hamilton.
John Jackson.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
Dr. Robertson.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

For the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward.

John Baxter.
Colonel Buchanan.
W. W. Chapman.
Thomas G. Cowan.
John Loudon.
Robert Sharp.
Thomas Watt.

For the District of the Lower Ward.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
D. Kinloch Michie.
William Speirs.

The Convener and Vice-Convener to be members of each of the above Committees.

The meeting agreed that, as formerly, it should be an understanding and condition of the appointments of the Collectors of County Rates that all the rates assessed by the Council upon such railways, canals, and tramways, and gas and water works, as are valued by the Assessor of Railways, should be levied and collected by the County Clerk, and this the County Clerk was and is hereby instructed and authorised to do. *Rates upon Railways, &c.*

The meeting, having proceeded to the appointment of collectors of consolidated rates, appointed the following persons to be collectors of rates for the current year, viz. :— *Appointment of Collectors of Consolidated Rates.*

(1) James A. Russell, National Bank of Scotland, Limited, Airdrie ;
(2) W. B. Pairman, National Bank of Scotland, Limited, Biggar ;
(3) Thomas Tennent, 58 Renfield Street, Glasgow ;
(4) W. D. Loudon, Masonic Buildings, 106 Cadzow Street, Hamilton ;
(5) A. W. Paterson, 5 Hope Street, Lanark ;
(6) Robert M'Cowan, Public Hall Buildings, Strathaven ;
(7) Thomas Munro, County Clerk and Treasurer, County Offices, Beckford Street, Hamilton.

It was agreed that the ratepayers should have the privilege of making payment at any of the above offices, and that the County Clerk be appointed to receive and deal with all communications with reference to assessments.

The meeting further agreed to remit to the Finance Committee to fix the remuneration of the several collectors above mentioned, excepting the County Clerk and Mr. Tennent. *Remit to Finance Committee to fix remuneration of Collectors.*

On the motion of the Vice-Convener, it was remitted to the Finance Committee to enforce the regulations for the collection of rates, and to make such amendments thereon, or such additional regulations as may be required for the due collection of *Regulations for Collectors.*

the rates, and with power to supersede any collector failing in the performance of his duty, and to fill up any vacancies in the collectorship, and to make any additions to the collectors employed, and to regulate the districts; and it was further agreed that power be also given to the Finance Committee to inquire into the nature of the arrears outstanding, strike off such as they may think irrecoverable, enforce recovery of the remainder, and otherwise deal with the same as they may think advisable.

Reports by District Committees.

There were laid before the meeting reports by the several District Committees for the year 1912-13, the reports in each case being contained in the minutes of the District Committees.

Report by County Analyst under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there was laid before the meeting a report by the County Analyst for the quarter ended 30th June last (forming Appendix IV. to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Report by District Agricultural Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906.

There was also laid before the meeting a report by the District Agricultural Analyst, under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, for the quarter ending 30th June last (forming Appendix V. to this minute), which had also been printed and sent to each member of the Council.

Minutes of committees.

The following minutes of committees and sub-committees, and of the County Road Board, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz.:—

(1) Valuation Committees—Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards, of date 8th May, 1913; Upper Ward, of date 15th September, 1913; Middle Ward, of dates 16th and 18th September, 1913; Lower Ward, of dates 19th and 30th September, 1913.

(2) Public Health Committee, of dates 14th May, 2nd July, and 24th September, and 1st October, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Staffing Arrangements of Public Health Department, of dates 28th May and 25th June, 1913.

(3) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 21st May, 4th and 25th June, 30th July, and 6th August, 1913.

Sub-Committee regarding proposed extension of Burgh of Renfrew, of date 7th May, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Lanark County Tramways, of dates, 4th June, 30th July, 10th September, and 1st October, 1913.

Sub-Committee regarding proposed extension of Glasgow Corporation Tramways to Coatbridge, of date 18th June, 1913.

Conference regarding proposed extension of Glasgow Corporation Tramways, of dates 30th July and 2nd October, 1913.

Joint Meeting regarding Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913, of dates 25th June and 16th July, 1913.

(4) Executive Committee of dates 21st May, 25th June, and 10th September, 1913.

Meeting of Representatives of County Local Authorities regarding Tuberculosis Order of 1913, of date 5th May, 1913.

(5) General Purposes Committee, of dates 21st May, 11th June, 30th July, 24th September, and 1st October. 1913.

(6) Committee on Electric Lighting Orders, of date 28th May, 1913.

(7) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 28th May and 3rd September, 1913.

(8) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 28th May, 18th June, 25th June, and 24th September, 1913.

(9) Committee on National Insurance Act—Provision of Sanatoria, of dates 30th July and 6th August, 1913.

Joint Sub-Committee, of dates 28th May and 5th June, 1913.

(10) Finance Committee, of dates 4th June, 2nd July, 3rd September, and 1st October, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Staff Salaries, of dates 9th and 30th July, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Airdrie Sheriff Court Houses, of dates 3rd September and 1st October, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Glasgow Compensation Money, of date 3rd September, 1913.

Meeting of Collectors regarding House Letting Act, of date 3rd September, 1913.

(11) Elections Committee, of dates 4th and 25th June, 20th August, and 17th September, 1913.

(12) Committee on Special Districts, of date 25th June, 1913.

(13) Committee on Lanark Court Houses, &c., of date 7th July, 1913.

Sub-Committee, of date 13th June, 1913.

(14) County Road Board, of date 3rd September, 1913.

Committee on Regulation of Traffic on Roads, of date 28th May, 1913.

(15) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 17th September, 1913.

(16) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of date 25th April, 1913.

(17) Explosives Committee (Airdrie District), of dates 8th May, 9th June, 3rd and 10th July, aud 3rd September, 1913.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting thereafter resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener or Vice-Convener and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the several applications, viz :—

(*a*) £200 for the completion of Public Slaughter-house at Forth.

(*b*) £50 for new distributing pipe at Roadmeetings within the Carluke Special Water District.

(*c*) £150 for the extension of outfall sewer of Crosslaw Special Drainage District to allow of additional land being irrigated.

(*d*) £160 for the construction of new sewers in new street off Glasgow Road and in Bowling Green Road, within the Strathaven Special Drainage District.

(*e*) £50 for the extension of distributing main and construction of hatch boxes on pipes at fountain head in Blackwood Special Water District.

(*f*) £100 for the fencing of grounds at Blantyre Hospital.

(*g*) £250 for the completion of Strathaven Public Slaughter-house.

(*h*) £400 for the completion of Shotts Public Slaughter house.

(*i*) £1,400 for the construction of a Public Slaughter-house at Baillieston.

(*j*) £1,000 for the construction of a new sewer, &c., in connection with the drainage of houses at Aitkenhead, within the Aitkenhead and Tannochside Special Drainage District.

(*k*) £1,475 for the construction of new sewers, in connection with the Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District.

(*l*) £300 for the purchase of an additional property in Green Street, Strathaven, for the purpose of improving the highway.

(*m*) £300 for the provision of a new office, &c., at Blantyre Public Slaughter-house.

(*n*) £3,000 for the construction of new footpaths within the Middle Ward District, for the year 1913-14.

(*o*) £500 for the completion of the works in connection with the making up of Tinker's Lane, in the Parish of Dalziel, for adoption as a highway.

(*p*) £230 for the provision and erection of a steam hoist at the Destructor, in connection with the Bellshill and Mossend Special Scavenging District.

(*q*) £192 for the provision and erection of lamps within the Blantyre Special Lighting District.

(*r*) £34 for the provision and erection of bracket lamps within the Bothwell Special Lighting District.

(*s*) £450 for the provision and erection of lamps, &c., in connection with the lighting of the eastern portion of the Cambuslang Special Lighting District.

(*t*) £400 for the introduction of a system of automatic lighting in connection with the Larkhall Special Lighting District.

(*u*) £2,700 for the erection of a new gate lodge, waiting-room, and dispensary at Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell.

(*v*) £450 for the formation of an embankment at the north-east end of the grounds of the Middle Ward Hospital, Motherwell.

(*w*) £100 for wayleaves and tenants' surface damages, in connection with the laying of the additional pipe from the springs at Lowriesmuir to Lesmahagow Special Water District.

(*x*) £30 for laying a distributing pipe in new street at Coalburn, in the Lesmahagow Special Water District.

(*y*) £135 for laying a new 3-inch distributing pipe from the church at Crawford to the Crawford Hotel, in Crawford Special Water District.

(*z*) £25 for laying a 3-inch distributing water pipe in Kirkstyle Road, in Carluke Special Water District.

(*aa*) £60 for erection of twelve additional lamps in Carluke Special Lighting District.

(*bb*) £2,600 for intercepting sewage presently discharged into Jock's Burn from Carluke Special Drainage District.

(*cc*) £20 for extension of sewer in Kirkstyle Road, in Carluke Special Drainage District.

(*dd*) £350 for additional alterations at the District Offices, Hamilton.

(*ee*) £260 for an extension of the existing garage at the District Offices, Hamilton.

(*ff*) £1,000 for constructing two new bridges in the Parish of Douglas, (1) over Douglas Water on the Glespin Road, and (2) for flood-water from Douglas Water on the Corsethill Highway.

Tuberculosis Order of 1913.—Report by Mr. Templeton.

Under reference to the minutes of the Executive Committee, Mr. Templeton submitted the following statement, relative to the work of the Executive Committee, which the meeting agreed should be incorporated in the minutes, viz. :—

"During the last two or three years there has been a great increase in the "work falling upon this committee, especially in consequence of the Tuberculosis "Order, of 1913, which came into operation on 1st May last.

"The members of the Council generally will be conversant with the object "and provisions of the Order, but it may not be inappropriate to state that, while "many Local Authorities in Scotland refrained from putting the Order in force at "first, this Local Authority, believing the Order to be a good one, operated it from "the beginning, and it is gratifying to know that their example has now been "followed by Local Authorities generally throughout Scotland.

"Since the Order came into operation, 102 animals have been reported as "being suspected of being affected with tuberculosis, and of these 46 were found to "be so affected and were slaughtered. The total cost to the Local Authority in "connection with the administration of the Order may be estimated at something "like £5 per animal slaughtered, and, while this is a considerable sum, the money "is not ill-spent if the action taken is admitted—and I believe it will generally be "admitted—to be beneficial, not only in preventing the spread of disease amongst "animals, but in lessening the risk of the transmission of the disease to human "beings.

"The Executive Committee believe that the money promised by the Treasury "for the purposes of the Order will be more than sufficient to meet their share of "the compensation payable under it, and they have made a representation to "the Board of Agriculture with a view to obtaining further grants to Local "Authorities towards meeting the cost of administering the Order. The committee "hope that they may succeed in obtaining from the Board an assurance that the "£60,000, which has been promised by the Treasury for the first two years of the "operation of the Order, with diminishing sums for the succeeding three years, "will be devoted wholly to the purposes of the Order.

"As regards the administration of the Diseases of Animals Acts generally "throughout the county, some idea of the extent of the work performed may be "drawn from the fact that during the past three years the deaths of 689 animals "have been reported, and that of these 39 proved to be cases of anthrax; that "since the 1st January, 1912, when the Parasitic Mange Order became applicable "to counties, 19 outbreaks of mange have been dealt with; and since 1st November, "1910, there have been 7 outbreaks of glanders, one of these being of a rather "serious nature, involving the slaughter of a dozen animals.

"During the last year or two outbreaks of sheep scab have, fortunately, been "rare (only four cases having been reported since 1910), and this, no doubt, is due "to some extent, to the strict enforcement by the Local Authority of the provisions "of the Sheep Dipping Order.

"As a matter of interest to the members of the Council, it may be brought to "their notice that recently the Board of Agriculture for Scotland made an Order "entitled 'The Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913" which imposed "certain important duties upon the Local Authorities. Unfortunately, while it "was generally believed that the disease was non-existent in this County, an actual "case was detected in the Lower Ward District, and this is now being dealt "with.

Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order.

The Clerk having reported that the Wild Birds Protection (County of of Lanark), Order, 1911, made by the Secretary for Scotland, would expire in February next, it was remitted to the Executive Committee to make application for its renewal, subject to such modification as they may consider advisable.

Under reference to Minu es of the General Purposes Committee, it was agreed that the thanks of the County Council should be conveyed to Mr. Allan Barns Graham, Yr. of Lymekilns, for his communication on the subject of Emigration.

Agreed to thank Mr. Allan Barns Graham for his communication on the subject of Emigration.

Under reference to the Minutes of the Finance Committee and Sub-Committee on the subject of Staff Salaries, Mr. J. Raeside Auld moved that instructions be given to the Finance Committee to furnish, in future, a list of the members of the staff with their salaries, which was seconded by Mr. Alexander Hamilton.

Staff Salaries.—Motion by Mr. Auld.

Thereupon, Mr. Alexander Pillans moved the previous question, which was seconded by Mr. James Anderson.

Previous question moved.

A vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted for the previous question, which the Chairman according declared carried.

Previous question carried.

The meeting unanimously appointed Mr. Thomas Munro, the County Clerk, to be Returning Officer at the Elections of Councillors of the County Council and the Parish Councils, to take place in December next.

County Council and Parish Councils Elections.—County Clerk appointed Returning Officer.

The meeting remitted to the Convener to determine the date of the first meeting of the new Council; and, for this purpose, it was unanimously agreed to suspend the Standing Orders.

Date fixed for first meeting of new Council.

Under reference to the Minutes of the Committee on the Lanark Sheriff Court House and County Buildings, of date 7th July, and Sub-Committee, of date 13th June, the Clerk laid before the meeting a letter which he had received from the Secretary for Scotland, of date 18th August last, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

Lanark Court Houses.—Proposed alterations and additions.

Scottish Office,
Whitehall, S.W., 18th August, 1913.

SIR,

LANARK SHERIFF COURT HOUSE.

With reference to your letter of the 28th April, regarding the proposal to provide improved accommodation for the safe custody of official papers at the above Court House, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to transmit herewith for the information of the County Council copy of a Report by His Majesty's Office of Works, &c., and copy of a letter, dated the 12th instant, from the Treasury, conveying the observations of the Lords Commissioners on the proposal, and to intimate in terms of Section 4 of the Sheriff Court-Houses (Scotland) Act, 1860, that he considers additional accommodation to be necessary. I am accordingly to request that you will proceed to take the steps laid down in the fifth and following Sections of that Act.

The plans, which accompanied your letter, are returned herewith. Working plans, specifications, and competitive estimates should be submitted in due course to the Office of Works.

I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) JAMES M. DODDS.

There was also submitted the copy letter from the Treasury and the copy report by His Majesty's Office of Works, referred to in the above communication.

The Clerk stated that, following the receipt of the above communication, he had written to the Under-Secretary for Scotland representing that the procedure prescribed by the Sheriff Court Houses (Scotland) Act, 1860, did not seem appropriate to the present case, and suggesting an alternative method of procedure, to which the Secretary for Scotland had agreed.

The Clerk further submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Lanark, of date 20th September, 1913, transmitting an excerpt from the Minutes of the Town-Council of Lanark, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

At Lanark, the Nineteenth day of September, Nineteen Hundred and Thirteen.

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of Lanark.

Bailie Lamb in the Chair.

Inter alia:

A letter, dated 17th instant, was read from the County Clerk of Lanarkshire, enclosing copy correspondence which he had had with the Under-Secretary for Scotland with regard to the proposal to provide improved Safe accommodation in connection with the Lanark Sheriff Court House, and also to erect a suitable house for the Caretaker.

This correspondence was submitted. The plans of the proposed alterations and additions were also submitted, and the Town Council, having considered this correspondence, along with the plans, approve of the plans and resolve accordingly.

Extracted from the Minute of Town Council by

(Sgd.) JAMES ANNAN,
Town-Clerk.

The Minutes of the Committee were unanimously adopted.

The Clerk having stated that a detailed specification of the work had not yet been completed, the meeting remitted to the Committee, with full power, to take estimates and to accept the lowest or any of them, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland.

Approval of minutes.

The meeting, after further discussion and, subject to the foregoing resolutions, unanimously approved of the Minutes of the County Road Board, and of the Committees and Sub-Committees above-mentioned.

Communication from District Committee of Middle Ward requesting Council to promote a Provisional Order conferring powers to supply gas.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 1st October, 1913, requesting the County Council to promote a Provisional Order conferring powers upon the District Committee to undertake the supply of gas for public and private lighting in the Blantyre District.

Clerk reports proceedings at meeting of Parliamentary Bills Committee held on previous day.

As relative thereto, the Clerk reported the proceedings at a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee held on the previous day, at which the communication from the Clerk to the District Committee had been under consideration, when the Committee, after full discussion, and an interchange of views, had agreed that the Clerk be authorised to prepare, in conjunction with the Parliamentary Agents, draft of a Parliamentary Notice for an Order which, while securing the particular object which the Middle Ward District Committee had in view, should, if possible, be of such general application as would apply the Gas Acts within the County in such a way as would permit of the acquisition of any gas undertakings therein which it might from time to time be deemed desirable to acquire in the public interest, and to prepare and submit such Notice to the Parliamentary Bills Committee for their further consideration.

The meeting, having agreed to the suspension of the Standing Orders, unanimously approved, after discussion, of the proposals of the Parliamentary Bills Committee above set forth, and remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee with full power to adjust the notice, and to take such further steps in connection therewith and with the promotion of the Provisional Order as may be considered necessary or advisable.

Communication from National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) regarding employment under Local and Public Authorities.

There was submitted to the meeting a communication from the National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland), of date 20th September, 1913 directing attention to the provisions of Section 6 of the National Insurance Act, 1913, dealing with employment under Local and Public Authorities.

Communication from National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) regarding Sanatorium Benefit.

There having been submitted to the meeting a communication from the National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland), of date 8th October, 1913, directing attention to the provisions of Section 17 (2) of the National Insurance Act, transmitting a statement received by them from the County of Lanark Insurance Committee, showing the estimated expenditure on sanatorium benefit for insured persons and dependants for the year commencing 13th January, 1914; inquiring

whether the County Council was prepared to sanction the expenditure; and stating that the Commissioners are informed that, if the County Council agree to pay one-half of any deficit incurred by the Insurance Committee in providing sanatorium treatment for insured persons and their dependants, the Treasury are prepared to find the remaining half. The meeting remitted this communication to the Committee of the County Council appointed under the Act.

Glasgow Veterinary College, Incorporated.—Appointment of Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., as one of Council's representatives in room of Mr. John D. Scott.

There having been submitted a communication from the Secretary of the Glasgow Veterinary College, Incorporated, of date 4th September, calling attention to the vacancy on the Board of Governors of the College, caused by the resignation of Mr. John D. Scott, the meeting appointed Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart of Lee and Carnwath, Bart., to take his place.

Sewage Purification.—Burghs of Paisley and Renfrew.—Communication from Town-Clerk, Glasgow.

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, of date 4th October, 1913, stating that the Corporation had for some time been endeavouring to persuade the Burghs of Paisley and Renfrew to purify the Sewage coming from these Burghs, but without success; that the Corporation had decided to bring the matter under the notice of the Secretary for Scotland, who had indicated his willingness to receive a deputation on the subject; and inviting the appointment of a representative from this County Council to join the deputation. The meeting remitted to Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Public Health Committee, and the Clerk to consider the expediency of the Council taking part in the matter, and to represent the Council on the proposed deputation, should they consider this advisable.

Communication from Scottish Chamber of Agriculture regarding use of studs in wheels of engines drawing threshing machines along frost-bound highways.

There was also laid before the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the Scottish Chamber of Agriculture, of date 26th September, 1913, stating that the Chamber had been urging that provision should be made for conferring on County Councils power to allow the use of studs in the wheels of engines drawing threshing machines along frost-bound highways, and inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend a conference on the subject with representatives of County Councils and of the County Councils' Association, to be held in Edinburgh on 29th current. The meeting, after consideration, appointed the following representatives to attend the conference, viz.:—The Convener, Vice-Convener, and the Chairmen of the District Committees.

Communication from Upper Ward District regarding increases of salary.

There was submitted to the meeting a communication from the Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee, of date 4th October, intimating resolutions by the District Committee, to grant increases of salary as follows:—

(1) William R. Meek, Assistant Road Surveyor, salary increased from £140 to £160 as from 15th April last;

(2) William Paterson, District Sanitary Inspector, salary increased from £150 to £175, as from 15th May last;

(3) John S. Anderson, Assistant Sanitary Inspector, salary increased from £90 to £95, as from 15th June last.

The meeting approved.

Motion by Mr. Auld regarding amalgamation of Lower with Middle Ward.

In accordance with the notice of motion given by him, Mr. J. Raeside Auld moved "That the Lower Ward of Lanarkshire be amalgamated with the Middle Ward of Lanarkshire," which was seconded by Mr. William Sym. The Chairman ruled the motion incompetent in respect that it was inconsistent with the resolution and actings of the Council within the preceding six months.

Document for Signature.

There having been submitted for execution Minute of Agreement between the County Council and Archibald Dominic Smith Sligo, of Inzievar and Carmyle, regarding the shutting up of Bogleshole Ford and a portion of the Bogleshole Ford Highway in the Lower and Middle Wards, and also the provision of a substituted road within the Middle Ward, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the common seal of the County.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council, held on 9th October last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the respective capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans, to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the several districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) The widening and improvement of Overton Highway, at Hallside, in the Parish of Cambuslang, at an estimated cost of £100.

(2) The erection of a Public Slaughter-house at Baillieston (supplementary estimate), at an estimated cost of £940. (Amount previously sanctioned £1,400.)

(3) The laying of pipes in connection with the introduction of gravitation water to Sandford Village, in the Parish of Stonehouse, at an estimated cost of £200.

(4) The provision and erection of additional lamp pillars and lamps at Burnhead and Hareleeshill, within the Larkhall Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £40.

(5) The widening and improvement of Carmyle Avenue Highway at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland, at an estimated cost of £75.

Lower Ward.

(1) The laying of 9-inch diameter fire-clay pipe sewer for the drainage of the west-end of Chryston, within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £1,000.

(2) Excess capital expenditure in connection with the construction of (1) Sewers, viz.:—£640; and (2) Sewage Disposal Works, viz.:—£330 for the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

(3) Additional capital expenditure in connection with the construction of (1) Sewers, viz.:—£330; and (2) Sewage Disposal Works, viz.:—£120 for the Carmunnock Special Drainage District.

(4) Additional capital expenditure for the construction of sewers within the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £200.

The Committee have also given their consent to the undertaking of the following capital works, viz. :—

Middle Ward.

A widening and improvement of Park Highway near Auchentibber, in the Parish of Blantyre, at an estimated cost of £34.

Lower Ward.

(1) Additional capital expenditure of £163 12s. 3d. involved in the construction of sewer in Baronald Street, Rutherglen, within the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Drainage District. (Defrayed by the Burgh of Rutherglen and Glasgow Corporation Tramways Department.)

(2) The erection of lamps and lamp posts in the Millerston and Stepps Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £27, and in the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £20.

WM. NEILSON,
GEORGE FRASER,
Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO.
County Clerk.

December, 1913.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF CONSENT

BY THE

STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE

TO

CAPITAL WORKS AND BORROWING

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNTY

COUNCIL

ON

WEDNESDAY, 17th DECEMBER, 1913.

THE COUNTY CLERK.

SALE OF FOOD AND

COUNTY OF

REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
250	July 3	Lanark County Council,	Cadzow, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 17 per cent.
251	,, 3	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
252	,, 3	Do..	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
253	,, 9	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
255	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
259	,, 12	Do.,	Newarthill, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 11 per cent.
264	Aug. 8	Do.,	Coalburn, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
265	,, 8	Do.,	Do.. ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
266	,, 8	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
267	,, 8	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
268	,, 8	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
295	,, 26	Do.,	Dalserf, ...	Self-raising Flour, ...	Do.,	... ...
296	,, 26	Do.,	Shawsburn, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
297	,, 26	Do.,	Red Rows, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
298	,, 27	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
299	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Sausage, ...	Do.,	... ...
300	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Veal and Tongue Loaf,	Do ,	... ...
301	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Syrup, ...	Do.,	... ...
302	,, 27	Do.,	Bothwell, ...	Sweet Milk.... ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Fat 6 per cent.
303	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
304	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
305	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
306	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
307	,, 27	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
308	,, 29	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
310	,, 29	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
311	,, 29	Do.,	Barrachnie. ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1899.

LANARK.

by him during the Quarter ending 30th SEPTEMBER, 1913.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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312	Aug. 29	Lanark County Council,	Barrachnie, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
313	„ 29	Do.,	Baillieston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
323	Sept. 11	Do.,	Shettleston, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 5 per cent. and in Milk Solids other than Fat 12 per cent.
324	„ 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Genuine,	.. ..
327	„ 11	Do.,	Tollcross, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
328	„ 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
329	„ 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
331	„ 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
332	„ 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
343	„ 17	Do.,	Busby, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
344	„ 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
345	„ 17	Do.,	East Kilbride,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
346	„ 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
349	„ 19	Do.,	Carnbroe, ...	Self-raising Flour,	Do.,	... ...
350	„ 19	Do.,	Plains, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
351	„ 19	Do.,	Caldercruix, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
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354	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
355	„ 19	Do.,	Longriggend,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
356	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
357	„ 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
358	„ 19	Do.,	Greengairs, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
348	„ 20	Do.,	Chapelhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
359	„ 25	Do.,	Law, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
360	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
361	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
362	„ 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
363	„ 26	Do.,	Cleland, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
364	„ 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
365	„ 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
366	„ 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
367	„ 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Separated Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids 5 per cent.
368	„ 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Dripping, ...	Genuine,	... ...
369	„ 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 62
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 5

10th October, 1913.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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24th October, 1913.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
254	July 9	Cream, ...	Genuine,	... ...	£0 10 0	
256	,, 9	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
260	,, 12	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
262	,, 29	Butter, ...	...	Contained 98 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from milk.	1 1 0	Special Examination — Nature and proportion of Fats.
263	,, 29	Do., ...	...	Contained 98 per Cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from milk.	1 1 0	Do. Do.
273	Aug. 20	Demarara Sugar.	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
274	,, 20	Raspberry Jam,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
275	,, 20	Baking Powder,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
290	,, 21	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 5 per cent., and in Milk Solids other than fat 17 per cent.	0 10 0	
291	,, 26	Marshmallow Cream,	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
292	,, 26	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
309	,, 29	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
314	Sept. 9	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
315	,, 9	Do., ...	...	Contained 99 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from milk .	0 10 0	
317	,, 9	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
318	,, 9	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 7 per cent.	0 10 0	
319	,, 9	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
320	,, 9	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
321	,, 9	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
322	,, 9	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
325	,, 11	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
326	,, 11	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 22 per cent., and in Milk Solids other than fat 25 per cent.	0 10 0	
330	,, 11	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
286	,, 15	Flour, ...	...	Contained 2.40 parts per million of Nitrite of Soda.	0 10 0	
287	,, 15	Do., ...	...	Contained 2.60 parts per million of Nitrite of Soda.	0 10 0	
288	,, 15	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
289	,, 15	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	

10th October, 1913.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

24th October, 1913.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

COUNTY OF LANARK.

ABSTRACT OF VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1913-1914, AND COMPARISON WITH THAT OF 1912-1913.

COUNTY OF

ABSTRACT OF VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 1913-1914,

Name of Parish.	1913-14.								1912-13.							
	General Heritages.			Railways, &c.			Total, 1913-1914.			General Heritages.			Railways, &c.			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
UPPER WARD.																
Biggar (Landward),	9,307	12	0	880	0	0	10,187	12	0	9,270	4	0	792	0	0	
Do. (Police Burgh),	7,784	18	0	...			7,784	18	0	7,656	0	0	...			
Carluke,	56,763	8	0	4,937	0	0	61,700	8	0	54,937	0	0	4,474	0	0	
Carmichael,	10,148	12	0	1,294	0	0	11,442	12	0	9,858	7	0	1,140	0	0	
Carnwath,	35,921	8	0	8,491	0	0	44,412	8	0	35,192	13	0	7,465	0	0	
Carstairs,	11,940	17	0	3,973	0	0	15,913	17	0	12,232	1	0	3,739	0	0	
Covington,	5,766	19	0	1,534	0	0	7,300	19	0	5,669	8	0	1,346	0	0	
Crawford,	20,233	7	0	4,535	0	0	24,768	7	0	19,467	13	0	4,000	0	0	
Crawfordjohn,	9,410	2	0	...			9,410	2	0	9,519	7	0	...			
Culter,	12,273	12	0	346	0	0	12,619	12	0	12,812	17	0	304	0	0	
Dolphinton,	2,432	18	0	354	0	0	2,786	18	0	2,419	15	0	309	0	0	
Douglas,	18,867	17	0	5,160	0	0	24,027	17	0	18,838	5	0	4,535	0	0	
Dunsyre,	2,989	1	0	1,547	0	0	4,536	1	0	2,991	1	0	1,354	0	0	
Lamington,	11,284	18	0	1,776	0	0	13,060	18	0	11,421	18	0	1,547	0	0	
Lanark,	19,301	14	0	3,231	0	0	22,532	14	0	19,357	14	0	2,849	0	0	
Lesmahagow,	68,901	2	0	10,708	0	0	79,609	2	0	67,091	18	0	9,435	0	0	
Liberton,	7,846	18	0	...			7,846	18	0	7,943	8	0	...			
Pettinain,	4,274	11	0	678	0	0	4,952	11	0	4,232	5	0	547	0	0	
Symington,	4,866	13	0	1,937	0	0	6,803	13	0	4,777	0	0	1,714	0	0	
Walston,	2,869	6	0	...			2,869	6	0	2,865	15	0	...			
Wiston and Roberton,	7,451	14	0	702	0	0	8,153	14	0	7,398	7	0	619	0	0	
Total, Upper Ward,	330,637	7	0	52,083	0	0	382,720	7	0	325,952	16	0	46,169	0	0	
MIDDLE WARD.																
Avondale,	55,845	6	0	5,367	0	0	61,212	6	0	55,206	5	0	4,804	0	0	
Blantyre,	76,930	13	0	4,852	0	0	81,782	13	0	73,593	17	0	4,368	0	0	
Bothwell,	295,960	2	0	22,393	0	0	318,353	2	0	274,647	0	0	20,738	0	0	
Do. (Police Burgh of Motherwell),	2,061	13	0	427	0	0	2,488	13	0	1,669	4	0	374	0	0	
Cambuslang,	144,806	16	1	9,387	0	0	154,193	16	1	140,290	15	11	8,538	0	0	
Cambusnethan (Landward),	88,803	6	0	8,986	0	0	97,789	6	0	86,708	3	0	8,395	0	0	
Do. (Police Burgh of Wishaw),	76,368	15	0	4,549	0	0	80,917	15	0	74,992	6	0	4,078	0	0	
Dalserf,	70,349	15	0	5,790	0	0	76,139	15	0	66,929	17	0	5,157	0	0	
Dalziel (Landward),	44,500	10	0	7,492	0	0	51,992	10	0	41,679	9	0	7,063	0	0	
Do. (Police Burgh of Motherwell),	194,725	3	0	8,215	0	0	202,940	3	0	190,286	16	0	7,655	0	0	
Do. (Police Burgh of Wishaw),	14,703	5	0	846	0	0	15,549	5	0	14,778	8	0	741	0	0	
East Kilbride,	44,477	1	0	2,936	0	0	47,413	1	0	43,786	17	0	2,599	0	0	
Glasford,	13,367	14	0	271	0	0	13,638	14	0	13,135	11	0	239	0	0	
Hamilton,	121,168	13	0	10,279	0	0	131,447	13	0	111,676	5	0	9,251	0	0	
New Monkland,	59,165	1	1	14,201	0	0	73,366	1	1	56,610	16	7	14,026	0	0	
Old Monkland,	93,071	3	6	20,491	0	0	113,562	3	6	89,226	8	6	19,192	0	0	
Shotts,	99,877	11	0	12,573	0	0	112,450	11	0	90,628	8	0	11,898	0	0	
Stonehouse,	16,446	12	0	2,999	0	0	19,445	12	0	16,345	8	0	2,648	0	0	
Total, Middle Ward,	1,512,628	19	8	142,054	0	0	1,654,682	19	8	1,442,191	15	0	131,764	0	0	
LOWER WARD.																
Glasgow (late Barony),	53,391	7	6	13,544	0	0	66,935	7	6	49,664	12	6	12,875	0	0	
Cadder,	97,025	15	2	10,792	0	0	107,817	15	2	97,227	1	6	10,325	0	0	
Carmunnock,	9,675	9	11	139	0	0	9,814	9	11	9,580	6	11	123	0	0	
Govan (Landward),	507	19	0	1,712	0	0	2,219	19	0	404	9	0	1,514	0	0	
Rutherglen,	35,242	16	1	6,088	0	0	41,330	16	1	34,576	16	3	5,698	0	0	
Total, Lower Ward,	195,843	7	8	32,275	0	0	228,118	7	8	191,453	6	2	30,535	0	0	
Total, Whole County,	2,039,109	14	4	226,412	0	0	2,265,521	14	4	1,959,597	17	2	208,468	0	0	

LANARK.

AND COMPARISON WITH THAT OF 1912-1913.

Total, 1912-1913.	Increase.		Decrease.		Net Increase.	Net Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
10,062 4 0	37 8 0	88 0 0	...	...	125 8 0	...
7,656 0 0	128 18 0	...	...	...	128 18 0	...
59,411 0 0	1,826 8 0	463 0 0	...	...	2,289 8 0	...
10,998 7 0	290 5 0	154 0 0	...	...	444 5 0	...
42,657 13 0	728 15 0	1,026 0 0	...	...	1,754 15 0	...
15,971 1 0	...	234 0 0	291 4 0	...	...	57 4 0
7,015 8 0	97 11 0	188 0 0	...	...	285 11 0	...
23,467 13 0	765 14 0	535 0 0	...	...	1,300 14 0	...
9,519 7 0	...	...	109 5 0	...	...	109 5 0
13,116 17 0	...	42 0 0	539 5 0	...	...	497 5 0
2,728 15 0	13 3 0	45 0 0	...	...	58 3 0	...
23,373 5 0	29 12 0	625 0 0	...	...	654 12 0	...
4,345 1 0	...	193 0 0	2 0 0	...	191 0 0	...
12,968 18 0	...	229 0 0	137 0 0	...	92 0 0	...
22,206 14 0	...	382 0 0	56 0 0	...	326 0 0	...
76,526 18 0	1,809 4 0	1,273 0 0	...	...	3,082 4 0	...
7,943 8 0	...	...	96 10 0	...	...	96 10 0
4,779 5 0	42 6 0	131 0 0	...	...	173 6 0	...
6,491 0 0	89 13 0	223 0 0	...	...	312 13 0	...
2,865 15 0	3 11 0	...	...	...	3 11 0	...
8,017 7 0	53 7 0	83 0 0	...	...	136 7 0	...
372,121 16 0	5,915 15 0	5,914 0 0	1,231 4 0	...	11,358 15 0	760 4 0
60,010 5 0	639 1 0	563 0 0	...	...	1,202 1 0	...
77,961 17 0	3,336 16 0	484 0 0	...	...	3,820 16 0	...
295,385 0 0	21,313 2 0	1,655 0 0	...	...	22,968 2 0	...
2,043 4 0	392 9 0	53 0 0	...	...	445 9 0	...
148,828 15 11	4,516 0 2	849 0 0	...	...	5,365 0 2	...
95,103 3 0	2,095 3 0	591 0 0	...	...	2,686 3 0	...
79,070 6 0	1,376 9 0	471 0 0	...	...	1,847 9 0	...
72,086 17 0	3,419 18 0	633 0 0	...	...	4,052 18 0	...
48,742 9 0	2,821 1 0	429 0 0	...	...	3,250 1 0	...
197,941 16 0	4,438 7 0	560 0 0	...	...	4,998 7 0	...
15,519 8 0	...	105 0 0	75 3 0	...	29 17 0	...
46,385 17 0	690 4 0	337 0 0	...	...	1,027 4 0	...
13,374 11 0	232 3 0	32 0 0	...	...	264 3 0	...
120,927 5 0	9,492 8 0	1,028 0 0	...	...	10,520 8 0	...
70,636 16 7	2,554 4 6	175 0 0	...	...	2,729 4 6	...
108,418 8 6	3,844 15 0	1,299 0 0	...	...	5,143 15 0	...
102,526 8 0	9,249 3 0	675 0 0	...	...	9,924 3 0	...
18,993 8 0	101 4 0	351 0 0	...	...	452 4 0	...
573,955 15 0	70,512 7 8	10,290 0 0	75 3 0	...	80,727 4 8	
62,539 12 6	3,726 15 0	669 0 0	...	...	4,395 15 0	...
107,552 1 6	...	467 0 0	201 6 4	...	265 13 8	...
9,703 6 11	95 3 0	16 0 0	...	...	111 3 0	...
1,918 9 0	103 10 0	198 0 0	...	...	301 10 0	...
40,274 16 3	665 19 10	390 0 0	...	...	1,055 19 10	...
221,988 6 2	4,591 7 10	1,740 0 0	201 6 4	...	6,130 1 6	
168,065 17 2	81,019 10 6	17,944 0 0	1,507 13 4	...	98,216 1 2	760 4 0

Name of District.	1913-14. General Heritages. £	s.	d.	1913-14. Railways, &c. £	s.	d.	1913-14. Total, 1913-1914. £	s.	d.	1912-13. General Heritages. £	s.	d.	1912-13. Railways, &c. £	s.	d.
UPPER WARD.															
Landward,	322,852	9	0	52,083	0	0	374,935	9	0	318,296	16	0	46,169	0	0
Police Burgh of Biggar,	7,784	18	0	...			7,784	18	0	7,656	0	0	...		
Total, Upper Ward,	330,637	7	0	52,083	0	0	382,720	7	0	325,952	16	0	46,169	0	0
MIDDLE WARD.															
Landward,	1,224,770	3	8	128,017	0	0	1,352,787	3	8	1,160,465	1	0	118,916	0	0
Police Burghs of Motherwell & Wishaw,	287,858	16	0	14,037	0	0	301,895	16	0	281,726	14	0	12,848	0	0
Total, Middle Ward,	1,512,628	19	8	142,054	0	0	1,654,682	19	8	1,442,191	15	0	131,764	0	0
LOWER WARD.															
Landward,	195,843	7	8	32,275	0	0	228,118	7	8	191,453	6	2	30,535	0	0
GRAND TOTAL.															
Landward,	1,743,466	0	4	212,375	0	0	1,955,841	0	4	1,670,215	3	2	195,620	0	0
Police Burghs,	295,643	14	0	14,037	0	0	309,680	14	0	289,382	14	0	12,848	0	0
Whole County,	2,039,109	14	4	226,412	0	0	2,265,521	14	4	1,959,597	17	2	208,468	0	0

MARY.

Total, 1912-1913.	Increase.		Decrease.		Net Increase.	Net Decrease.
	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.	General Heritages.	Railways, &c.		
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
364,465 16 0	4,555 13 0	5,914 0 0	...	...	10,469 13 0	...
7,656 0 0	128 18 0	...	...	...	128 18 0	...
372,121 16 0	4,684 11 0	5,914 0 0	...	...	10,598 11 0	...
1,279,381 1 0	64,305 2 8	9,101 0 0	...	...	73,406 2 8	...
294,574 14 0	6,132 2 0	1,189 0 0	...	...	7,321 2 0	...
1,573,955 15 0	70,437 4 8	10,290 0 0	...	...	80,727 4 8	...
221,988 6 2	4,390 1 6	1,740 0 0	...	...	6,130 1 6	...
1,865,835 3 2	73,250 17 2	16,755 0 0	...	...	90,005 17 2	...
302,230 14 0	6,261 0 0	1,189 0 0	...	...	7,450 0 0	...
2,168,065 17 2	79,511 17 2	17,944 0 0	...	...	97,455 17 2	...

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1913.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 8th October, 1913, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 8th October, 1913.

Present—

JAMES ANDERSON.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Attending—

W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from the Convener and Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart. *Apologies for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 6th August, 1913, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved, and signed by the chairman. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that the Secretary for Scotland had been interviewed by Sir Charles Bine Renshaw and Mr. Asher, Secretary to the Association of County Councils, subsequent to the decision of the House of Commons not to extend the provisions of the Local Government (Adjustments) Bill to Scotland, and—while adhering to the position taken up by him that in view of the numerous representations made by the burghs, and the shortness of Parliamentary time then available, he could not agree to the English Bill being applicable to Scotland—he went so far as to admit that there was a strong presumption that the findings of the joint-committee should be made applicable to Scotland, and he undertook to take action in the matter. A statement to this effect was thereafter made in the House of Lords. The Secretary for Scotland stated further that it was his intention to ask the burghs to state reasons why the findings of the joint-committee should not be applied in Scotland, and thereafter, if necessary, to invite representatives of the counties and the burghs to a joint-interview on the subject. In view of this fact and the promised friendly interest of the English county representatives in both Houses of Parliament, when the matter of the application of the findings of the committee to Scotland again came before *Local Government (Adjustments) Bill.*

Parliament, it was deemed prudent to rest content with the action taken this session. In these circumstances no further action by the Council Council would have been of any avail. The committee approved.

Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order.

The Clerk also reported that the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order Confirmation Act had received the Royal Assent on 15th August, 1913.

Minutes of sub-committees.

The minutes of the following sub-committees, prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee, were submitted and approved, viz.:—

Lanark County Tramways, of dates 30th July, 10th September, and 1st October, 1913;

Minutes of conference of representatives of County Councils of Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, and Renfrewshire, with reference to proposed extensions of the Glasgow Corporation Tramway System within these counties, of date 30th July, 1913; and

Minutes of joint-meeting of the representatives of the above counties appointed to meet with the Corporation of Glasgow, in connection with the proposed extension of the Glasgow Tramway System, of date 2nd October, 1913.

Gas Supply in Middle Ward District.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, dated 27th September, along with notes by the District Clerk, an excerpt from the minutes of the District Committee, of date 26th September and prints of the minutes of meetings of the special committee appointed by the Middle Ward District Committee, of dates 3rd and 10th September, all of which form Appendix I. hereto.

The Clerk reminded the committee of the previous action taken by their sub-committee in connection with the supply of gas within the Blantyre District, and drew attention to the terms of a Memorandum (Appendix II.) issued by him in February last regarding the question of gas supply in the County of Lanark, and particularly to the terms of the concluding paragraphs of that Memorandum. He stated that if, after consideration of the circumstances, the County Council were to decide to apply to Parliament, they must consider what modifications would be required on the provisions of the general Gas Acts to make them applicable to the circumstances of the County.

The Clerk explained at length to the Committee, alternative methods under which the object desiderated might be secured, and expressed the opinion that—following the precedent of the Lanarkshire Electricity and Refuse Destruction Order, 1903, which, though primarily promoted for the purpose of enabling the Electricity Acts to be modified with a view to their application within the Cambuslang Special Lighting District, had been made of such general application as permitted of these Acts being subsequently applied within a number of other Special Lighting Districts in the County—an Order of general application, while at the same time sufficiently explicit to attain the special object which the District Committee of the Middle Ward had presently in view, would be most likely to receive the approval of Parliament.

The meeting having heard the County Clerk on the subject, after full discussion and an interchange of views, agreed that the Clerk be authorised to prepare, in conjunction with the Parliamentary Agents, draft of a Parliamentary Notice for an Order which, while securing the particular object which the Middle Ward District Committee have in view, should, if possible, be of such general application as would apply the Gas Acts within the County in such a way as would permit of the acquisition of any gas undertakings therein which it might from time to time be deemed desirable to acquire in the public interest, and to prepare and submit such Notice to the Parliamentary Bills Committee for their further consideration.

APPENDIX I.

District Offices,
Hamilton, 27th September, 1913.

DEAR SIR,

GAS SUPPLY.

This District Committee have had under consideration for some time the question of gas supply in their district, and in January last a special committee was appointed "to inquire into the desirability of the Local Authority establishing gas-works for the supply of gas to the areas under their jurisdiction, or some of them, and to report." The said committee, in terms of the remit made to them, carefully considered the general position of the Middle Ward District in the matter of gas supply, and were of opinion, after due inquiry, that it would be expedient, in the first instance, to concentrate on certain areas and obtain expert advice and guidance with respect to these. With the concurrence of the District Committee they accordingly obtained reports from Mr. Henry O'Connor, Consulting Gas Engineer, Edinburgh, with respect to the areas of (1) the Blantyre Gas Company, and (2) the Carfin, Newarthill, Cleland and Districts Gas Company, and, having given these their most careful consideration, they were unanimously of opinion that it was desirable the Local Authority should themselves become the undertakers for the supply of gas for public and private lighting in the Blantyre District, and they recommended accordingly.

As regards the Carfin, &c., District, the committee considered, in view of the information and advice furnished to them, that it was not opportune at the present time to advise that the Local Authority should undertake the supply of gas in that area.

In making their recommendation with respect to the Blantyre area, the committee had in view the fact that dissatisfaction has been expressed for some time regarding the supply of gas by the Blantyre Gas Company, and that suggestions have been made that the Town Council of Hamilton should extend their pipes into the district and undertake the supply of gas.

The foregoing recommendation came before the District Committee at their meeting yesterday, when, as against a motion for its approval, an amendment was moved by Mr. George Fraser to the effect that, so far as the minutes proposed that the Blantyre area should be separately and specially dealt with in the matter of gas supply, and not the Middle Ward District as a whole, they should not be approved. On a vote being taken, the recommendation was approved, 23 members voting in support of it, while 5 voted for the amendment.

I have accordingly to ask that you will be good enough to submit the proposal to the County Council with a view to their undertaking (if so resolved) the promotion of a Provisional Order to confer powers upon the District Committee to undertake the supply of gas for public and private lighting within an area—to be hereafter particularly defined—embracing the area of the Blantyre Special Lighting District.

As you are aware, the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, provides (Section 44 (10)), that upon the formation of a special lighting district "it shall be lawful for the District Committee to adopt the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, and any Act amending the same," &c.

Questions of difficulty, however, arise with regard to the applicability of the latter Act to the conditions and requirements of County government, and on a consideration of these—which I made the subject of some notes to the District Committee, of which I enclose a print—the committee advised that, having regard to the technical difficulties which might emerge under the operation of the Burghs Gas Act, and to the fact that in formulating suitable

proposals for the district, other and additional powers to those of the general Acts might be required, it would be the more expedient course to follow to promote a Provisional Order which would contain all necessary and suitable provisions, including equitable provisions for rating and security, which could be considered in detail and determined at a later stage.

I send you herewith a copy of Mr. O'Connor's report on the Blantyre area (which for obvious reasons has—apart from its general facts—been, so far, kept strictly private), and I shall be glad to afford you any further information that may be required.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) W. E. WHYTE.

THOS. MUNRO, Esq.,
County Clerk,
Hamilton.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

GAS SUPPLY.

Remit from the District Committee.

The following is an extract from the Minutes of Meeting of the District Committee, of date 31st January, containing the remit to the Sub-Committee in the matter:—

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There was submitted the following Notice of Motion, signed by Mr. James C. Pollok and countersigned by Mr. W. L. Dyer, of which a copy was contained in the notice calling the meeting, viz.:—"That a special Committee be appointed to enquire into the desirability of the Local Authority establishing Gas Works for the supply of gas to the areas under their jurisdiction, or some of them, and to report."

In the absence of Mr. Pollok, and with the concurrence of the meeting, Mr. Templeton moved the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Dyer. After discussion, Mr. Fraser moved, as an amendment, the previous question, which was seconded by Mr. Shanks. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, there voted for the amendment twelve, and for the motion fifteen. The motion was thereupon declared carried, and the following Sub-Committee was appointed in accordance therewith, viz.:—Mr. Cameron, Mr. Coyle, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Alexander Hamilton, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Pollok, Mr. Daniel Sym, Mr. Templeton, and Mr. Thomson—any five to be a quorum.

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Powers of District Committee.

It will be of advantage, in the first place, to state the powers of the District Committee in the matter of Gas Supply as these are initiated by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894. That Act empowered for the first time the formation of Special Lighting Districts in County districts, and required the District Committee when such districts had been formed "to make provision for lighting in a suitable manner all the streets and all other places within the Special District which in their judgment should be lighted at the public expense."

The Act further provided, however, by Section 44 (10) as follows:—

> Upon the formation of a special lighting district under the provisions of this section it shall be lawful for the district committee to adopt the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, and any Act amending the same, but in such case the provisions of the principal Act with respect to capital expenditure, borrowing, and audit of accounts shall apply in lieu of the corresponding provisions of the former Acts or of this section; and in the application of the former Acts the expression "burgh" shall be construed to mean special lighting district, "commissioners," "town council," and "commissioners of police" to mean district committee, and "elector" and "ratepayer" to mean a person registered as a county elector, the subject of whose qualification is situated within the special lighting district.

The provisions of the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, with respect to the adoption of the said Act, are contained in Sections 4 and 5 thereof, as follows:—

Section 4.—It shall be lawful for the Town Council in any burgh in which there is a town council and for the commissioners of police in any other burgh, by a majority of the members who are present at a meeting of such town council or commissioners specially called for the purpose, to resolve that this Act shall be adopted in and applied to the burgh, and to appoint a day not earlier than the Third and not later than the Thirtieth lawful day after the completion of the then next ensuing annual election of councillors or commissioners of police, as the case may be, for the burgh, for holding a second special meeting to resume consideration of such resolution; and a copy of any minute containing such resolution and appointment shall be inserted once in each newspaper published in the burgh one month at least before such next annual election; and if there be no newspaper published in the burgh, a copy of such minute shall be delivered or transmitted through the post office to each elector and to the sheriff clerk and clerk of the peace of the county within which the burgh is situated, and shall be inserted once in a newspaper published in such county, or in an adjoining county, one month at least before such next annual election.

Section 5.—No such resolution as in the preceding section mentioned shall have any validity unless approved by a majority of two-thirds at least of the members of the town council or commissioners of police, as the case may be, who are present at such second special meeting or at any adjourned special meeting (of which adjourned special meeting ten days' notice in writing shall be given to each member of the town council or commissioner of police, as the case may be); and in the event of such approval the town council or commissioners shall not proceed to carry the same into effect until after the expiration of one month from the date of the meeting at which such resolution was approved, and during such month such resolution, as so approved of, shall be advertised once at least in each week in each newspaper published in the burgh, and if there be no newspaper published in the burgh, in some newspaper circulating in the county in which the burgh is situated, and public notice thereof shall also be given by means of placards posted in public places within the burgh; and if before the expiration of such month a remonstrance in writing by twenty or more ratepayers against carrying into effect such resolution, or any part thereof, be lodged with the town-clerk or clerk of the commissioners of police, as the case may be, such resolution shall not be carried into effect unless confirmed by a majority of the ratepayers qualified and voting at a poll to be taken, and upon such remonstrance being lodged as aforesaid the chief or senior magistrate of such burgh shall be bound to direct a poll to be taken in the manner prescribed in regard to polls of householders taken with reference to the adoption of "The General Police and Improvement (Scotland) Act, 1862;" and the whole enactments and procedure provided in regard to such polls shall, so far as applicable, extend and apply to the poll hereby authorised and directed to be taken. If no such remonstrance is lodged, or if such resolution is confirmed by the ratepayers, the sheriff shall authorise the resolution to be registered in the sheriff court books of the county in which the burgh is situated; and the provisions of this Act shall be in force from and after such registration, the date of which shall be held as the date of the adoption of this Act. If such resolution is not confirmed, it shall not be lawful for the town council or commissioners of police again to resolve that this Act be adopted and applied to the burgh before the expiration of three years from the date of the previous resolution.

It will be noted that, as regards the adoption of the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, in a District as distinguished from a Burgh, there might be some difficulty in respect of the different circumstances of the elections of the two Authorities. This point it may be recalled was discussed by the District Committee about a year ago, when some correspondence took place with the Local Government Board.

The immediate reason for the correspondence which took place with the Board in 1911 was that a Bill had been presented to Parliament under the title of the "Town Council (Scotland) Amendment Bill," by which it was proposed to remove certain difficulties and anomalies in the provisions for the adoption of the Burghs Gas Supply Act, 1876, by Town Councils in Scotland. The District Committee at the time pressed the Board to move for such amendments being introduced as would appropriately meet the circumstances of District Committees applying the 1876 Act to County areas. The Bill unfortunately was dropped, but the Board promised to take the matter into consideration whenever a favourable opportunity might arise.

The question that arises is whether in the adoption of the Gas Acts by the District Committee the word "triennial" must be substituted for the word "annual." The Local Government Board it is understood take the view that the conditions laid down in the Acts that an election must intervene between the preliminary resolution to adopt the Act and the meeting to actually adopt it, could not be ignored. It would follow therefore, that District Committees would be precluded from taking proceedings towards adopting the Gas Acts till near the time for the triennial election of County Councillors.

On the adoption of the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, the District Committee are empowered as follows:—

Section 18.—The commissioners (*i.e*, the District Committee), may (subject to the provisions of this Act), erect, lay down, improve, extend, and maintain gasworks, gasometers, and pipes for the distribution of gas, and execute all such works as may be necessary for the efficient manufacture and supply of gas for public and private purposes, and may purchase, acquire, and hold lands and other property for these purposes, and may carry on any such operations and business as are usually carried on by gas companies.

Provided that the commissioners (*i.e.*, the District Committee), shall not manufacture or store gas, or any residual products, upon any lands without the previous consent in writing of the owner, lessee, and occupier of every dwelling house situate within three hundred yards of the limits of such lands, or until the commissioners shall have made a return to the Board of Trade setting forth the description and extent of such lands. But this proviso shall not apply to lands upon which gas or residual products are manufactured or stored at the date of the adoption of this Act.

Section 20.—Where there is a company not incorporated by Act of Parliament or authorised by Provisional Order confirmed by Act of Parliament, supplying gas within a burgh, the commissioners may, subject to the provisions of this Act, buy from such company, and such company, if formed or registered under the Companies Act, 1862, with the sanction of a special resolution in terms of that Act, and if not so formed or registered, with the consent of a majority of three-fourths in value of the shareholders or members of such company, present either personally or by proxy at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, may sell and transfer to the commissioners, on such terms as may be agreed on between the commissioners and the company, the undertaking of such company, and all the rights, powers, and privileges, and all or any of the lands, premises, works, and other property of the company, but subject to all liabilities attached to the same at the time of purchase.

Section 21.—Where there is a company not incorporated by Act of Parliament, or authorised by Provisional Order confirmed by Act of Parliament, supplying gas within a burgh, the commissioners before they

shall exercise any of the powers conferred by this Act, shall give notice to such company that they are willing to buy or to treat for the purchase of the undertaking of such company, and of all the rights, powers, and privileges and all the lands, premises, works, and other property of the company, and if such company shall consent, in manner provided by the last preceding section, to sell the same, the commissioners shall purchase the undertaking on terms mutually agreed upon or to be fixed by arbitration in the manner provided by the Lands Clauses Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1845, respecting matters thereby directed to be settled by arbitration, and if such company shall refuse to sell the same, or shall not within two calendar months after the service of such notice return any answer, the commissioners may present a petition to the sheriff stating the facts, and the sheriff shall, on being satisfied by evidence of the facts as stated, decern accordingly, and on such decree being pronounced the commissioners shall have and may exercise all the powers conferred by this Act.

The above-mentioned provisions of the 18th Section of the 1876 Act are modified and altered by the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1893, to the following effect:—

It shall no longer be necessary to make the return to the Board of Trade required by the recited Act, but before proceeding with such manufacture or storage the Commissioners shall give notice in writing to every owner, lessee, and occupier of every dwelling-house situate within three hundred yards of the limits of the land in question and by advertisement published once a week for two weeks in any newspaper circulating within the burgh, of their intention to proceed with such manufacture and storage, and in the event of any owner, lessee, or occupier refusing or delaying to give the consent provided for in the recited Act for more than ten days after the last date of publication of such advertisement, the Sheriff may, on the application of the Commissioners, and after such investigation and inquiry as he may deem necessary, by a deliverance under his hand, find and declare that such consent may be dispensed with, and such deliverance shall be final and not subject to review, and the Sheriff shall make such finding as to the expenses of the application as shall seem to him just in the circumstances.

It shall not be in the power of the Commissioners to renew such application until the expiration of a period of twelve months from the date of the deliverance.

In this section the word "Sheriff" shall not include Sheriff-Substitute.

Summary of Powers of District Committee.

To summarise the position and powers of the District Committee in the matter we find—

(1) That on the formation of a Special Lighting District it is lawful for the Committee to adopt the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876.

(2) That the provisions of the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, with respect to its adoption require that at a meeting of the Local Authority specially called for the purpose a majority of the members present may resolve that the Act should be adopted and applied within the Special District, and appoint a day "not earlier than the third and not later than the thirtieth lawful day after the completion of the then next ensuing Annual Election of Councillors, &c.," for holding a second special meeting to resume consideration of the resolution.

(*Note.*—As already mentioned, it is considered that the triennial election of County Councillors will approximate to the annual election of Town Councillors provided for in the Act of 1876, in which case it would be necessary if advantage is proposed to be taken at this time of the statutory provisions to take action without delay in view of the County Council ensuing election in December next, otherwise there will not be an opportunity of moving in the matter till near the time of the next triennial County Council election.)

(3) That on the adoption of the Act the District Committee may erect, lay down, improve, extend, and maintain gas works, &c., and execute all such works as may be necessary for the efficient manufacture and supply of gas for *public and private purposes.*

(4) That where there is a Company not incorporated by Act of Parliament or authorised by Provisional Order confirmed by Act of Parliament to supply gas within a Special District, the District Committee may buy from such Company, and such Company may sell and transfer to the District Committee on such terms as may be agreed on between the District Committee and the Company the undertaking of the Company.

(5) Where there is a Company as aforesaid supplying gas within a Special District, the District Committee, before exercising any of the powers conferred upon them by the Burghs Gas Act, shall give notice to such Company that they are willing to buy or treat for the purchase of their undertaking, and if such Company shall consent to sell the same the District Committee shall purchase the undertaking on terms mutually agreed upon or to be fixed by arbitration; and if such Company refuse to sell, the District Committee may present a Petition to the Sheriff, who on being satisfied by evidence of the facts, may decern accordingly, and on such decree being pronounced the District Committee shall have and may exercise all the powers conferred by the Act.

In addition to the difficulty above-mentioned with respect to the adoption of the Act of 1876 in county areas, on account of the different conditions obtaining with respect to Burgh and County Elections, there are other points which it is necessary to call attention to:—

1. It will be observed that Section 5 of the adoptive Act provides that, in the event of a poll of the ratepayers being required, "the Chief or Senior Magistrate of such burgh shall be bound to direct a poll to be taken," &c. This taken literally would mean that the poll was to be directed by the Chief Senior Magistrate of the Special Lighting District, but probably the Chairman of the District Committee would be the proper person to direct the taking of the poll, as being analogous, as far as that is possible in the circumstances, to the Chief Magistrate of the Burgh. After all it would seem that the question of who is to direct the poll is not a matter of very great moment. The point is that there is to be a poll, and it might therefore be considered that no difficulty would arise on this head.

2. Again, Section 38 of the adoptive Act confers power on the District Committee to fix, impose, and levy such rate, to be termed "The Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate," as may be required to pay any Annuities and any interest due thereon, and the interest of money borrowed or to be borrowed. Section 39 as read with the Local Government Act of 1894, provides that this rate is to be levied along with, and in the

same manner in all respects, and from the same descriptions of persons and property as the assessment for Police purposes in the Special District. Strictly speaking, there is not a rate imposed for "Police purposes" in a Special Lighting District, but it might be presumed as a reasonable view that the rate to be imposed in Special Lighting Districts is to be similar to the Police rate, and that it is of little moment whether the Police rate is over the whole County or any part or portion of it. Under the Police Act of 1857 the assessment for Police purposes is payable solely by the proprietor, and although under the Act of 1889 the increment over the average rate is now shared equally by owners and occupiers, it is not clear that the change would apply to the rating for the "Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate": indeed, there would be great difficulty in working out such a basis of assessment.

As regards this Guarantee Rate, however, the Local Authority need not necessarily have recourse to its imposition. The normal and usual course for meeting expenditure is to so fix the price of gas to meet all charges, and in this connection the provisions of Section 41 of the adoptive Act are referred to. These are as follows:—

The Commissioners shall, from time to time, fix the price to be paid for gas to be supplied during any succeeding year or half year, and until such price be altered by the Commissioners the price so fixed shall remain in force provided that the price shall be such as will, as nearly as can be estimated, raise sufficient income to discharge all the costs and expenses of, and incident, to, the manufacture and distribution of the gas made, together with the interest on all money borrowed in respect of the works, and to provide the sinking fund required by this Act, and to provide for a depreciation and renewal fund sufficient to maintain the works in perpetuity and for all charges incident to the occupation of such works; and the moneys received in respect of and incident to the manufacture and distribution of gas shall be applied to such purposes only, and any balance at the termination of any year shall be carried to the debit or credit of the succeeding year: Provided also that the prices charged shall be the same to all consumers under like circumstances, and the revenue of the gas-works shall be credited with an amount for the gas consumed for public purposes, calculated at the rates charged to private consumers, which amount shall be a charge upon the rates leviable for public lighting.

It is, of course, apparent from the provisions of Section 44 (10) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, that the clear intention of the Legislature was that a District Committee should be able to adopt the Gas Supply Act, and that their relationship with the County Council, as set out in the Local Government Act of 1889 with respect to capital expenditure, borrowing, and audit of accounts, should apply. On these premises it would seem that the adoptive Act should be read in the light of the Legislature's intention and in a liberal way.

There are, of course, decided advantages in obtaining a Provisional Order from Parliament in the matter of gas supply, for in addition to clearing away the difficulties above referred to, other and special provisions to those contained in the general Gas Acts can be secured to meet not only particular circumstances and conditions obtaining within the County or the Special Districts proposed to be dealt with, but probably for enlarged and extended purposes, always, of course, within the proper realm of the main purposes of the intention of the Legislature,

namely, the supply by the Local Authority of gas for public and private lighting. The Committee, however, will no doubt carefully consider this phase of the question in their deliberations.

The following table shows the Special Lighting Districts which have been formed, and are at present in existence within the Middle Ward:—

Special Lighting District.	Population.	Valuation.	Assessment, Year 1912-13.	Amount Paid for Public Lighting, Year 1911-1912.
		£	Per £.	£
1. Aitkenhead and Tannochside,	2,978	5,400	4d.	25
2. Baillieston,	5,537	13,700	3d.	43
3. Bellshill and Mossend,	15,219	52,000	2d.	204*
4. Blantyre,	15,501	52,900	3d.	302
5. Bothwell,	3,452	22,900	3½d.	154
6. Bothwell Park,	1,958	2,850	6¼d.	—
7. Busby,	547	4,200	4d.	20
8. Calderbank,	1,980	7,700	1½d.	46
9. Cambuslang,	20,451	84,700	3½d.	603†
10. Carmyle,	1,466	11,200	2d.	27
11. Cleland and Omoa,	3,458	8,400	4d.	—
12. Dalzell and Netherton,	1,732	19,500	2d.	36
13. East Kilbride,	1,556	7,600	4½d.	56
14. Gartlea,	346	1,500	4d.	11
15. Glengowan and Caldercruix,	1,500	5,800	4d.	—
16. Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin,	10,458	29,300	3½d.	203‡
17. Larkhall,	13,007	35,700	2¼d.	146
18. Newarthill,	2,458	5,000	5½d.	39
19. Newmains,	3,923	25,000	2¼d.	47
20. North Mount Vernon,	150	1,700	3d.	4
21. Shotts and Dykehead,	7,424	20,800	4d.	122
22. Stonehouse,	3,189	8,400	2½d.	28
23. Strathaven,	3,494	15,800	4d.	130
24. Uddingston,	8,164	48,200	2¼d.	211

* Includes £2 for Electric Lighting. † Includes £524 for E.L. ‡ Includes £81 for E.L.

The District Engineer has prepared two lists—(1) showing (*a*) the places within the Middle Ward which are at present supplied with gas, (*b*) the Company or Authority supplying the gas, and (*c*) the approximate population; and (2) showing places in the Middle Ward in which there is not at present gas supply. These lists are as follows:—

I.—LIST OF PLACES IN MIDDLE WARD IN WHICH THERE IS A GAS SUPPLY.

Place.	Supplied by	Approximate Population.
Uddingston Bothwell Aitkenhead Tannochside Bothwell Park	Bothwell and Uddingston Gas Company	16,400
Bellshill Mossend Clydesdale	Bellshill Gas Company	16,000
Blantyre	Blantyre Gas Company	14,800
Cambuslang Flemington Newton	Cambuslang Gas Company	23,350
Holytown New Stevenston	Holytown Gas Company	5,500
Carfin Cleekhimin Newarthill Cleland Omoa Bellside Hattonrigg	Carfin, Newarthill, Cleland and Districts Gas Company	7,700
Plains Caldercruix Glengowan Hillend	Airdrie Corporation	2,550
Moffat Mills	Airdrie Corporation	300
Gartlea	Airdrie Corporation	330
Shotts Stane Dykehead	Shotts Gas Company	7,500
Newmains Bonkle Crindledykes	Coltness Iron Company	3,000
Baillieston Swinton Easterhouse	Baillieston Gas Company	5,600
Bargeddie	Coatbridge Gas Company	1,850
Calderbank	Coatbridge Gas Company	2,000
North Mount Vernon Barrachnie Tollcross Carmyle	Glasgow Corporation	3,700
Netherton	Wishaw Corporation	1,650
Larkhall Strutherhill Birkenshaw, &c. Ashgill	Larkhall Gas Company	13,750
Stonehouse	Stonehouse Gas Company	3,600
Strathaven	Strathaven Gas Company	5,400
East Kilbride Maxwellton	East Kilbride Gas Company	2,300
Busby	Busby Gas Company	670
Cadzow Eddlewood Meikle Earnock	Hamilton Burgh	2,300
Hamilton Road	Motherwell Gas Company	650

II.—LIST OF PLACES IN MIDDLE WARD IN WHICH THERE IS NOT AT PRESENT A GAS SUPPLY.

Place.	Population.
Longriggend, Roughrigg, Longrigg,	2,650
Greengairs, Wattston,	1,255
Glenboig,	1,150
Harthill, Eastfield,	1,650
Chapelhall,	1,950
Morningside, Chapel,	1,700
Waterloo, Overtown,	2,500
Cornsilloch, Ayr Road, Shawsburn, Swinhill,	1,380
Palace Rows,	1,750
Ferniegair, Allanton,	1,400

THE FOLLOWING IS A STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS RELATING TO GAS UNDERTAKINGS IN THE COUNTY OF LANARK, AS RECENTLY ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH THE BLANTYRE GAS SUPPLY.

Name of Undertaking.	Annual Make.	Total Consumers.	Mileage of Mains.	Price Ordinary.	Price Average.	Candle Power.	Approximate Population.
	Thousands.						
*Airdrie,	100,404	5,694	31	2/9	2/2	16	
Baillieston,	14,648	1,023	7	2/11	—	19	5,600
Bellshill,	36,573	3,100	—	2/11	—	18	16,000
Biggar,	3,000	360	3	5/10	5/4	23	
Blantyre,	33,316	1,906	17	2/11	2/11	19	14,800
†Bothwell and Uddingston,	83,400	4,340	34	2/	1/11½	17	16,400
Cambuslang,	72,300	6,100	25	2/9	—	16	23,350
Carfin,	10,000	647	9	3/11½	—	—	7,700
Carluke,	21,723	1,329	9½	—	2/6	—	
†Coatbridge,	198,789	9,882	70	1/6	—	16½	
East Kilbride,	4,150	450	6	5/	5/	22	2,300
*Glasgow,	7,207,621	282,541	1,039	1/11	1/10¾	18	
*Hamilton,	160,066	8,034	39	1/10½	—	17	
Holytown,	8,808	919	—	3/9	—	—	5,500
Lanark,	26,807	1,614	11½	2/11 less 10%	—	—	
Larkhall,	35,111	2,100	—	2/9	—	—	13,750
Lesmahagow,	5,484	504	—	3/4	3/4	23	
Motherwell,	117,317	8,002	—	2/6	—	16½	
Shotts,	11,605	1,023	7	4/2	—	16	7,500
Strathaven,	13,413	1,005	—	3/6½	—	24	5,400
*Wishaw,	71,274	4,606	23	2/11	2/11½	17½	

* Authorised undertakings of local authorities.

† Authorised undertakings other than those of local authorities.

The following additional information relating to Statutory and Authorised Undertakings is available from the Parliamentary Returns for the year ended 31st March, 1911:—

(*a*) LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

Local Authority and Act of Parliament or Provisional Order.	Amount of Loan and Annuities.	Total Receipts.	Total Expenditure.	Interest on Loan, Annuities Paid, Payments to Sinking Fund, &c.	Net Profit.	Tons of Coal Carbonised.
	£	£	£	£	£	
*Airdrie Corporation. 1904, c. 2.	100,000	14,330	9,472	4,535	323	9,200
†Glasgow Corporation. 1869 to 1905.	3,389,310	879,434	728,542	135,116	15,776	686,311
*Hamilton Corporation. 1846, c. 118. 1878, c. 137. 1901, c. 30 (P.O.) 1902, c. 2 (P.O.)	65,000	22,119	16,364	2,813	2,942	15,486
*Wishaw Corporation. 1876, c. 49. 1908, c. 74.	48,650	12,922	8,763	3,087	1,072 (£417 to Electricity Deficit.)	7,579

* The Return is for year ended 15th May, 1911.

† The Return is for year ended 31st May, 1910.

(*b*) STATUTORY COMPANIES.

Name of Company.	Total Capital.	Total Capital Premiums applicable to Capital Purposes.	Dividends Paid.	Total Loan Capital Authorised.	Rate of Interest Paid on Loans.	Amount of Authorised Capital subject to Auction Clauses.	Total Receipts.	Total Expenditure during 1910.	Balance carried to Profit and Loss Account.
	£	£		£		£	£	£	£
Bothwell and Uddingston Gas, 1902, c. 103 (P.O.) ...	40,000	24,326	10 %	10,000	—	17,000	12,035	8,891	3,144
Coatbridge Gas— 1877, c. 140 1898, c. 86 (P.O.) 1902, c. 72 (P.O.) 1909, c. 142 (P.O.)	89,650	75,842	12 % 8 2/5 % 8 2/5 % 8 2/5 %	21,250	3¼	77,000	29,813	22,414	7,399

Information will be submitted to the Committee showing the position of several of the private undertakings in the Middle Ward.

[A copy of the correspondence between the District Clerk and the Local Government Board, with reference to several of the more important difficulties hereinbefore referred to, which was submitted to the District Committee contemporaneously with these Notes, is printed as an Appendix.]

March, 1913. W. E. W.

APPENDIX.

COPY CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE DISTRICT CLERK AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD.

District Clerk to Local Government Board.

"Hamilton, 22nd February, 1913.

"SIR,

"BURGHS GAS SUPPLY (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1876.

"Adverting to my letter to you of the 4th, and your reply of the 16th December, 1911, relative to the adoption of this Act in County Districts, I have to say that this District Committee have again had under consideration the desirability of establishing Gas Works within their District, and the question of the applicability of the above-mentioned Act to the requirements of County Government at once arises.

"If reference is made to the Local Government Act, 1894, Section 44 (10) it is of course apparent—notwithstanding the considerable differences in constitution, election, and otherwise of County Local Authorities, as compared with Burgh Authorities—that the intention was that a District Committee should be able to adopt the Gas Supply Act, and that their relationship with the County Council, as set out in the Local Government Act of 1889 with respect to capital expenditure, borrowing, and audit of accounts should apply. On these premises it would seem that the adoptive Act should be read in the light of the legislature's intention, and in a liberal way.

"For instance, Annual Election would be read as Triennial Election, and I believe that the Board have already taken this view.

"It is provided by Section 5 of the adoptive Act, and in the event therein mentioned, that 'the Chief or Senior Magistrate of such Burgh shall be bound to direct a poll to be taken,' &c. This, taken literally, would mean that the poll was to be directed by the Chief Senior Magistrate of the Special Lighting District, but probably the Chairman of the District Committee would be the proper person to direct the taking of the poll as being analogous—as far as that is possible in the circumstances—to the Chief Magistrate of the Burgh. After all, it seems to me that the question of who is to direct the poll is a matter not of very great moment. The point is that there is to be a poll, and it might, therefore, be considered that no difficulty would arise on this head.

"Again, Section 38 of the 1876 Act confers power on the District Committee to fix, impose, and levy such rate, to be termed 'The Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate,' as may be required to pay any annuities and any interest due thereon, and the interest of money borrowed or to be borrowed, &c. Section 39, as read with the Local Government Act of 1894, provides that this rate is to be levied along with and in the same manner in all respects, and from the same descriptions of persons and property as the assessment for Police purposes in the Special District. Strictly speaking, there is not a rate imposed for 'Police Purposes' in a Special Lighting District, but it might be presumed as a reasonable view that the rate to be imposed in Special Lighting Districts is to be similar to the Police rate, and that it is of little moment whether the Police rate is over the whole County or any part or portion of it. Under the Police Act of 1857 the assessment for Police purposes is payable solely by the Proprietor, and although under the Act of 1889 the increment over the average rate is now shared equally by Owners and Occupiers, it is not clear that the change would apply to the rating for the 'Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate;' indeed, there would be very great difficulty in working out such a basis of assessment.

"There are other points in the Act, but the difficulties to which I have referred are perhaps the more important, and I am to say that the District Committee will be glad to be favoured with any views which the Board may see their way to offer as to the practicability of bringing the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act into force in County areas. The District Committee would not, of course, desire to take the risk of initiating the procedure unless they were reasonably satisfied that there were no insuperable difficulties in the way of carrying it out to a completion.

"I am, Sir,

"Your obedient Servant,

"W. E. Whyte,
"*District Clerk.*

"The Secretary,
"Local Government Board,
"Edinburgh.

"P.S.—Are the Board aware if the Act of 1876 has been adopted in any County District in Scotland?

"W.E.W."

Local Government Board to District Clerk.

"Local Government Board,
"Edinburgh, 17th March, 1913.

"Sir,

"Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876.

"The Board have under consideration your letter of 22nd ultimo, and I am directed to say that, in their opinion, the words 'next ensuing annual election of Councillors,' occurring on Section 4 of the above Act should, as you assume, be read as 'next ensuing triennial election of Councillors' in the application of the Section to Special Districts.

"With regard to the procedure under Section 5, the Board see no objection to the course you propose, viz., to appoint the Chairman of the District Committee to direct the taking of the poll.

"As regards the method of assessment to be adopted in levying the Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate, the Board are of opinion that it should be levied equally on owners and occupiers. They understand, however, that in actual practice this Rate is seldom imposed, and that the debt charges are met, as a rule, out of current revenue. Section 41 of the Act gives power to fix a price to be paid for gas such as will, as nearly as can be estimated, be sufficient to cover the cost of manufacture, together with the interest on borrowed monies, &c. It may, therefore, never be necessary to impose the Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate in the Special District.

"I may add that if the District Committee adopt the Act and any other point of difficulty arises in the administration, the Board will be pleased to give them what assistance they can.

"I am, Sir,

"Your obedient Servant,

"John T. Maxwell,
"*Secretary.*

"W. E. Whyte, Esq.,
"Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee of Lanark,
"Hamilton."

COUNTY OF LANARK.

DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

EXCERPT from Minutes of meeting of the District Committee, of date 26th September, 1913.

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The minutes of meetings of the Sub-Committee appointed on the question of gas supply in the Middle Ward District, of dates 3rd and 10th September, which had been printed, and of which copies had been sent to each member of the Committee, were submitted, and held as read.

The chairman having called attention to the opinion, expressed in the Sub-Committee's minutes of the latter date, that the Local Authority should themselves become the undertakers for the supply of gas for public and private lighting in the Blantyre District, and to their recommendation that a Provisional Order should be promoted in order to obtain the requisite powers, Mr. Pollok moved the approval of the minutes, which was seconded by Mr. Dyer. Mr. Fraser moved, as an amendment, that so far as the minutes proposed that the Blantyre District should be separately and specially dealt with in the matter of gas supply, and that proposals had not been submitted by the Sub-Committee with respect to the Middle Ward District as a whole they should not be approved, which was seconded by Mr. Love. After full discussion, and a vote having been taken by the calling of the roll, as decided by the meeting, there voted for the amendment the following members:—

George Fraser,
William Love,
James Steele,
James Stewart,
Charles A. Easson,

being 5 in all; and for the motion—

Thomas Arnot,
William Barr,
George Brown,
John C. Burns,
James Cameron,
Owen Coyle,
John Craig,
Alexander Hamilton,
John Jackson,
Robert Lambie,
James Loudon,
John Loudon,
William Neilson,
Robert Nimmo,
James C. Pollok,
William Strang,
Daniel Sym,
William Sym,
William Templeton,
David Thomson,
John Todd.
James Tonner,
William L. Dyer,

being 23 in all.

Mr. W. W. Chapman and Mr. Robert Sharp did not vote. The motion was thereupon declared carried, and the minutes were accordingly approved of, the Clerk being directed to communicate the proposals to the County Clerk for submission to the County Council.

3rd September, 1913.

At GLASGOW, *3rd September*, 1913, being a MEETING of the SUB-COMMITTEE appointed by the DISTRICT COMMITTEE to inquire into the desirability of the Local Authority establishing GAS-WORKS FOR THE SUPPLY OF GAS TO THE AREAS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION, OR SOME OF THEM.

Sub-Committee as to Establishment of Gas-works in Middle Ward District.

Sederunt—

JAMES CAMERON.
OWEN COYLE.
WILLIAM L. DYER.
JOHN JACKSON.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
DANIEL SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
DAVID THOMSON.

Chairman.

(Mr. POLLOK, chairman, presiding).

Report by Consulting Engineer on Works of the Blantyre Gas Company, Ltd., and area of supply.

Under reference to minutes of meeting, of date 30th May, and former minutes, the Clerk submitted and read a Report on the works of the Blantyre Gas Company, Ltd., and their area of supply, which he had received from Mr. Henry O'Connor, Consulting Gas Engineer, Edinburgh, who had been engaged, under the remit from the District Committee, to furnish a report dealing with the Blantyre Gas Company's works and area of supply, and also the Carfin, &c., Gas-works and area of supply. After a general discussion, and having heard Mr. O'Connor, who was in attendance, the Committee agreed to adjourn consideration of the matter to a meeting to be held on Wednesday, 10th September.

Report on Carfin, &c., Gas-works, and area of supply.

Mr. O'Connor stated that his report with regard to the Carfin, &c. Works and area of supply would be in the Clerk's hands within the next few days, and it was agreed that consideration of same should be taken up at the meeting on 10th September.

10th September, 1913.

At GLASGOW, *10th September*, 1913, being a MEETING of the SUB-COMMITTEE appointed by the DISTRICT COMMITTEE to inquire into the desirability of the Local Authority establishing GAS-WORKS FOR THE SUPPLY OF GAS TO THE AREAS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION, OR SOME OF THEM.

Sub-Committee as to Establishment of Gas-works in Middle Ward District.

Sederunt—

JAMES CAMERON.
OWEN COYLE.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
JOHN JACKSON.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
DANIEL SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
DAVID THOMSON.

Chairman.

(Mr. POLLOK, chairman, presiding.)

Blantyre area.—Further consideration of report by Mr. O'Connor.

Under reference to minutes of meeting, of date 3rd September, the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the Report (of which a copy had been sent to each member) made by Mr. Henry O'Connor with respect to the Blantyre Gas Works and the desirability of the Local Authority acquiring same and undertaking the supply of gas in the Blantyre District. Mr. O'Connor was present, and was heard in further explanation of his Report. After full discussion, the Sub-Committee were unanimously of opinion that it was desirable the Local Authority should themselves become the undertakers for the supply of gas for public and private lighting in the Blantyre District. The meeting were satisfied that, on the information and advice submitted by Mr. O'Connor (a summary of which is annexed to this minute), the Blantyre area was a suitable one for the Local Authority undertaking the supply of gas, and they recommend that the District Committee should agree to the proposal. With respect to the procedure which should be adopted to obtain the requisite powers for undertaking the supply of gas, the Sub-Committee beg to refer to the Notes by the District Clerk, issued in March last, dealing with the powers of the District Committee in the matter of gas supply. Having regard to the technical difficulties which might arise under the operation of the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, and to the fact that, in formulating suitable

proposals for the district, other and additional powers to those of the General Acts might be required, the meeting were of opinion that it would be the more expedient course to follow to promote a Provisional Order, and they advise accordingly. The Order would contain all necessary and suitable provisions, including equitable provisions for rating and security, which would be considered in detail and determined at a later stage.

Carfin, &c., area.—Report by Mr. O'Connor.

There was also submitted a Report, dated 8th September, by Mr. O'Connor, with reference to the area of supply of the Carfin, Newarthill, Cleland and Districts Gas Company, Limited, dealing with the capital and position of the Company; the value of their works, and the question of the Local Authority becoming undertakers for the supply of gas in the district at present being served by the Company. After consideration, the Committee were of opinion that it was not opportune at the present time to advise that the Local Authority should undertake the supply of gas in the area in question, and it was agreed to continue the matter accordingly. The Sub-Committee, however, desire to express the view that it might be possible, if a Provisional Order were promoted for the Blantyre area, to secure powers of a general nature which would, at all events, facilitate the Local Authority becoming undertakers for the supply of gas in other areas in the Middle Ward without requiring to adopt the full procedure necessary for the promotion of Provisional Orders. The Sub-Committee further desire to report that their consideration of the subject-matter of the remit made to them leads them to state that, as a principle, it is their opinion the Local Authority should have in view the undertaking of the supply of gas throughout the area of their jurisdiction as far as that might, on due inquiry, be found to be practicable and expedient on public and economic grounds.

Principle of Local Authority undertaking gas supply throughout Middle Ward.

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BLANTYRE GAS SUPPLY.

SUMMARY OF Mr. O'CONNOR'S REPORT.

The total capital of the Company is £12,000, consisting of 12,000 shares of £1 each, fully paid.

Note.—The Reporter states that the present selling price of the shares may be put at 25s. per share, and that at this price the value of the works in the open market would appear to be £15,000.

The Reporter has himself carefully valued the works and plant of the Company, and a detailed Statement and valuation is available for the Committee's information.

Looking to the financial arrangements which the County Authorities could make, and to the average dividend paid by the Company, the Reporter is of opinion that, with the present make of gas, after meeting all charges, including repayment of sinking fund, interest, &c., the price of gas under the new financial arrangements alone could be reduced by at least 4d. per 1,000 cubic feet.

The Reporter is of opinion that the works have not been carried on under the most modern and economical methods, and, after dealing with certain comparative figures, he goes on to say:—

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"It is evident that considerable economies could be made if the works were to be put upon a proper basis and the manufacture carried on upon the latest methods with expert superintendence. Many small works are behind the times because the arrangements are in the hands of the Manager, who is necessarily circumscribed in his views, and cannot have the technical knowledge of men who have spent years in acquiring this while the smaller manager has been working himself at some part of the making of the gas. I estimate that, with such proper control, the cost of the gas could be reduced by at least 9d. per 1,000 cubic feet, which at the present rate would bring the price down to 2s. 2d. per 1,000 cubic feet. A reduction in price has always resulted in an increased sale, which in most places has balanced the reduced revenue, and I am satisfied that a very large further amount of gas would be required if charged at this lower price, and the larger the quantity the lower would be the cost per 1,000 cubic feet. Coal has increased by at least 25 per cent.

in the last few years, but at the same time coke has improved by 33⅓ per cent., and tar and liquor by 77 per cent., so that the increased cost per 1,000 cubic feet is not very great. Allowing a sale of coke equal to 40 per cent. of the coal used, and of 60 gallons of tar and liquor per ton of coals carbonised, five years ago and at the present time, the net increase only means an increase per 1,000 cubic feet of 1d.

"To make a penny reduction per 1,000 cubic feet means a reduction in cost of £104 3s. 4d.

"I have received from the Secretary of the Gas Company a 'statement of houses or premises in Blantyre with and without gas-fittings,' made from the Valuation Roll of 1911-12, showing that there were in all 3,726 houses and premises, of which 890 were privately-owned houses with no gas-fittings, and 300 houses with gas-fittings not using gas at that time. There were also 509 miners' houses, which have mostly since been fitted with gas. These figures, which I have checked by a reference to the 1912-13 Valuation Roll, are apparently correct, as I find that at present there are 3,831 entries of premises, which are divided as follows:—

Miners' Rows owned by Colliery Companies, ...	520
Houses and premises under £10 a year rental, ...	2,211
Do. do. £20 do. do., ...	855
Do do. over do. do. do., ...	245
	3,831

"From these figures and a careful examination of the district served, I am satisfied that a very large increase of business could be secured, especially in view of the reduction in price and the low rate of interest required for repayment of money expended on fitting up houses, providing fittings, meters, ordinary and prepayment, and connecting same to the present mains.

"The leakage, which at present amounts to 32 per cent., would remain at the same quantity, but being treated as a percentage on the larger quantity sold, would be reduced. This question of leakage could also be much reduced by adequate superintendance and the adoption of careful and periodical tests, and with the introduction of simple water-sealed valves in the correct positions."

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"The reserve fund, out of which some of the extensions have been paid for, has been built up by charging more than necessary for the gas and putting the balance not required for dividend to this fund. Had this not been done the price could have been reduced in the past.

"The mains are generally well proportioned, and many of them have been laid in recent years. I have had these marked on maps, showing also the boundaries of the supply area and lighting district for the use of the Committee.

"Treated as a separate unit, I consider the Council would be well advised to purchase and control these works for the benefit of the residents in the district, who could get cheaper and better gas, and if this district could be combined with others surrounding it, so that one Gas Works could supply the whole area, I am satisfied that the saving would be very large throughout. One Engineer could control the whole, one purchase of coals made, returns of working would be on a proper basis, and the accountancy and collections kept under one control: this last would be a large saving. There is now no difficulty in distributing gas over a large area, even with some distance of unproductive mains between towns and villages, owing to the use of plant for compressing the gas, so that only small mains, and these of steel, are required. In this way gas is as easy to distribute from one centre as water, with the added advantage that gas is compressible, while water is not. Gas-mains can be easily tested for leakage, and a great saving can be made by having this done periodically, although this work is frequently neglected, especially in small companies."

"The question, however, of dealing with an extended area is not one which might interfere with a decision to deal with the Blantyre District, for the reason that, if the Blantyre works were purchased, any development to deal with a larger area could quite well be carried out, having these works as a basis or adjunct."

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There is appended hereto a Table prepared by Mr. O'Connor, giving a comparison of the principal figures contained in the Annual Reports of the Directors of the Gas Company for the last five years, also copy of a letter from Mr. O'Connor dealing with leakages of gas in different colliery districts, &c.

BLANTYRE

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

	1909. £ s. d.	1910. £ s. d.	1911. £ s. d.	1912. £ s. d.	1913. £ s. d.	Total Averages. £ s. d.
Capital,	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	...
From Reserves,	...	872 18 7	1,122 18 7	1,122 18 7	1,122 18 7	...
Reserves,	1,548 16 3	686 13 5	447 18 10	747 18 10	756 6 1	...
Interest,	10 15 9	11 5 5	...	8 7 3	9 1 11	...
Total,	1,559 12 0	697 18 10	447 18 10	756 6 1	765 8 0	...
Dividend,	16 9 0	1 13 0	1 17 0	2 1 0	2 3 0	...
Deposits,	23 5 3	20 5 3	17 12 9	12 10 0	12 10 0	....
Profit,	1,006 14 10	1,179 19 10	1,410 15 1	1,276 3 8	1,287 12 1	1,232 5 1
Net. Profit,	1,173 5 0	1,230 15 3	1,165 8 7	511 8 5	829 0 9	981 19 7
Total,	2,179 19 10	2,410 15 1	2,576 3 8	1,787 12 1	2,116 12 10	2,214 4 8
	13,779 6 1	14,003 10 9	14,166 10 10	13,681 7 9	14,019 12 5	

PROFIT AND

	1909. £ s. d.	1910. £ s. d.	1911. £ s. d.	1912. £ s. d.	1913. £ s. d.	Total Averages. £ s. d.
Gas,	3,638 18 6	3,678 4 7	3,573 16 8	3,393 16 10	3,765 11 11	3,610 1 8
Meters,	98 8 0	96 15 4	95 1 6	...	...	58 1 0
Stoves,	45 0 7	45 5 7	43 2 3	47 12 6	60 14 4	48 7 1
Deduct Bad Debts,	13 1 9	21 10 5	26 13 1	28 4 7	18 18 11	21 13 9
Total,	3,769 5 4	3,798 15 1	3,685 7 4	3,413 4 9	3,807 7 4	3,698 15 11
Coke,	457 17 8	529 4 11	538 3 8	528 1 8	680 15 6	546 16 8
Tar,	373 2 1	465 2 11	513 10 9	539 2 6	538 4 3	485 16 6
Deduct Bad Debts,	4 18 4	7 8 0	2 8 2	0 11 3	4 13 8	3 19 11
Total,	776 1 5	986 19 10	1,049 6 3	1,066 12 11	1,214 6 1	1,018 13 4
Stocks,	270 10 7	151 7 0	102 7 5	199 2 10	325 0 9	209 13 9
Interest,	7 16 2	0 8 11	1 14 1	15 3 7	0 13 9	5 3 4
Grand Total,	4,823 13 6	4,937 10 10	4,838 15 1	4,694 4 1	5,347 7 11	4,928 6 11
Interest paid,	1,000 0 0	1,000 0 0	1,000 0 0	500 0 0	750 0 0	850 0 0
,, per cent.,	10 per cent.	10 per cent.	10 per cent.	5 per cent.	7½ per cent.	8½ per cent.

GAS WORKS.

PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

	1909. £ s. d.	1910. £ s. d.	1911. £ s. d.	1912. £ s. d.	1913. £ s. d.	Total Averages. £ s. d.
Plant,	9,911 5 8	10,872 18 7	11,122 18 7	11,122 18 7	11,122 18 7	...
Investments,	1,559 12 0	697 18 10	447 18 10	756 6 1	765 8 0	...
Stocks,	270 10 7	161 7 0	102 7 5	199 2 10	325 0 9	...
Debts due,	696 16 11	597 12 0	706 10 9	815 14 5	698 2 5	...
Guarantee,	65 0 0	65 0 0	65 0 0	65 0 0	65 0 0	...
In Bank,	1,276 0 11	1,618 13 7	1,721 15 3	722 5 10	1,043 2 8	...
	13,779 6 1	14,003 10 9	14,166 10 10	13,681 7 9	14,019 12 5	...

LOSS ACCOUNT.

	1909. £ s. d.	1910. £ s. d.	1911. £ s. d.	1912. £ s. d.	1913. £ s. d.	Total Averages. £ s. d.
Coal,	1,673 15 5	1,474 2 5	1,437 19 10	1,815 0 9	2,072 1 5	1,694 11 11
Oxide,	52 18 0	23 3 9	28 2 10	38 18 7	...	28 12 8
Cartage,	139 16 11	94 8 10	116 8 6	122 12 1	147 17 6	120 4 9
Repairs,	868 10 0	1,034 7 3	1,021 6 8	1,127 19 8	1,109 4 11	1,032 5 8
Wages,	815 3 11	810 2 9	918 1 8	975 17 2	995 0 6	901 17 2
Stocks last year,	100 4 3	270 10 7	151 7 0	102 7 5	199 2 10	164 14 5
Balance,	1,173 5 0	1,230 15 3	1,165 8 7	511 8 5	829 0 9	981 19 7
Grand Total,	4,823 13 6	4,937 10 10	4,838 15 1	4,694 4 1	5,347 7 11	4,928 6 11

"1 Drummond Place,
"Edinburgh.

"To the Chairman and Gas Committee of the
"Middle Ward District of the County of Lanark.

"Gentlemen,

"Further to my report of 1st instant, I would like to say that gas is being forced at pressure at the following places:—

Aberlady to Gullane, ...	3 miles.
Melrose to St. Boswells, ...	4½ to 5 miles.
Nuneaton to	4 to 5 miles.
Corbridge to	
Denny to	
Dunfermline to Culross, ...	6 to 7 miles.

and in arrival at the latter towns is distributed as required.

"As a probable area for development, it may be kept in view that the Auchentibber and Dalton Districts, which are fairly contiguous to Blantyre, are not at present supplied with gas.

"As regards leakage at the Colliery Districts, I append a table taken from the Board of Trade Returns of Gas Undertakings, 1911-12 (the latest published):—

	Make.	Sale.	Leakage per cent.
Airdrie, ...	100,404,000	84,905,000	15·5
Hamilton, ...	160,067,000	148,685,000	7·1
Wishaw, ...	71,275,000	64,659,000	9·3
Coatbridge, ...	198,789,000	185,061,000	7·4
Bothwell and Uddingston,	81,400,000	78,874,000	3·2
Average, ...			8·8

"These percentages are calculated upon the amount sold—if they were shown as percentages on the make, which is usual, they would be lower.

"The reduction of the leakage at Blantyre to 10 per cent. only would mean a saving of over £300 annually, or equal to a reduction of 3d. per 1,000 cubic feet in the price of gas.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"Henry O'Connor.

"8/9/13."

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MEMORANDUM REGARDING THE QUESTION OF GAS SUPPLY IN THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

The law regarding the supply of gas in Scotland is contained in the following Statutes:—

The Gas Works Clauses Act, 1847.
The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870.
The Gas Works Clauses Act, 1871.
The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, Amendment Act, 1873.
The Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876.
The Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1893.
The Sale of Gas Act, 1859.
The Sale of Gas Amendment Act, 1860.
The Sale of Gas (Scotland) Act, 1864.

It is necessary to examine the provisions of those of the Acts that apply to Burghs, as they are to some extent made applicable in Counties under the legislation after noted.

The Gas Works Clauses Act, 1847, and the Gas Works Clauses Act, 1871, are to be construed together, and contain certain provisions usually contained in Acts authorising the making of gasworks for supplying towns with gas. They apply only to gasworks authorised by any Act of Parliament which declares that they are to be incorporated therewith.

The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, and the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, Amendment Act, 1873, provide for obtaining powers by Provisional Order for the construction of gasworks; for the manufacture and supply of gas in a district; for raising capital for these purposes; and for enabling companies or persons supplying gas to amalgamate their undertakings. A Provisional Order may be obtained by "any company, companies, or person." The consent of the Local Authority of the district is required before a Provisional Order can be obtained, and the consent of the Road Authority where power is sought to break up any road under the Road Authority's control. The Local Authority in a district outside a Burgh was declared to be the Parochial Board, and presumably is now the Parish Council, as there does not, as would have been appropriate, seem to have been a transference of the powers of the Parochial Board in this matter to the County Council and the District Committee.

The Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, as amended by the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1893, makes provision for lighting Burghs in Scotland with gas, and also for the provision of a general supply of gas to the public. Any Town Council may adopt the provisions of this Act.

The Act does not empower the Burgh adopting it to supply gas within any part of the area of supply over which the Town Council or Commissioners of Police of any other Burgh or any gas company incorporated by Act of Parliament, or any company, partnership, or person authorised by any Provisional Order confirmed by Act of Parliament have statutory powers to supply gas.

The Act must be adopted after certain procedure, involving the passing of two resolutions—one by a majority of the Town Council or Commissioners present at a meeting prior to an election of Councillors or Commissioners, and the second by a majority of two-thirds at least of the members of the Town Council or Commissioners present at a meeting specially called after such election.

The Commissioners may erect, lay down, improve, extend, and maintain gasworks, gasometers, and pipes for the distribution of gas, and execute all such works as may be necessary for the efficient manufacture and supply of gas for public and private purposes, and may purchase, acquire, and hold lands and other property for these purposes, and may carry on any such operations and business as are usually carried on by gas companies.

Where there is a company not incorporated by Act of Parliament or authorised by Provisional Order confirmed by Act of Parliament supplying gas within a Burgh, the Commissioners may buy and the company may sell to the Commissioners on such terms as may be agreed on between the Commissioners and the company the undertaking of such company.

The Commissioners, before they can exercise any powers conferred by this Act, must give notice to such company that they are willing to buy or treat for the purchase of the undertaking of such company. If the company consent to sell, the Commissioners must purchase the undertaking on terms mutually agreed upon or to be fixed by arbitration. If the company decline to sell, or do not within two months after the service of such notice return any answer, the Commissioners may present a petition to the Sheriff stating the facts, and on being satisfied by evidence of the facts, the Sheriff is to decern accordingly, and on such decree being pronounced the Commissioners shall have and may exercise all the powers conferred by the Act.

From and after the date when a Town Council becomes vested in the undertaking of any Gas Company, that company shall cease to manufacture, sell, and supply gas.

Powers are conferred to enable the Town Council (1) to defray the cost of the purchase of any gas undertaking and the laying down of new or additional gasworks, (2) to borrow money for the purposes of gas supply, and (3) to pledge the rates in security, &c.

The Commissioners may contract with any Local Authority adjacent to the Burgh to supply gas within their respective limits, provided that there is no Town Council nor Commissioners of Police nor any Gas Company entitled (*at the date of the passing of the Act*) to supply gas within such limits.

The Commissioners may supply gas to any district adjacent to the Burgh not being *at the time of the adoption of the Act* within the area of supply of any incorporated company or company authorised by Provisional Order confirmed by Act of Parliament, Town Council, or other Commissioners.

The Act also contains other general provisions for regulating the conduct of Gas Undertakings.

The Sale of Gas Act, 1859, the Sale of Gas Amendment Act, 1860, and the Sale of Gas (Scotland) Act, 1864, provide for regulating the measures used in the sale of gas; but these Acts have no operation until they are adopted in counties by the Commissioners of Supply, who are now represented by the County Council in consequence of the transfer to the County Council of their powers by Section 11 (1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

GAS SUPPLY IN COUNTIES.

The Statutes referred to, it will be observed, mainly relate to the supply of gas in Burghs.

The following provision as to gas supply in Counties is contained in the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, Section 44 (10) of which provides:—

> "Upon the formation of a Special Lighting District under the provisions of this section it shall be lawful for the District Committee to adopt the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, and any Act amending the same, but in such case the provisions of the principal Act with respect to capital expenditure borrowing and audit of accounts shall apply in lieu of the corresponding provisions of the former Acts or of this section; and in the application of the former Acts the expression 'Burgh' shall be construed to mean special lighting district, 'commissioners, town council, and commissioners of police' to mean district committee, and 'elector' and 'ratepayer' to mean a person registered as a county elector, the subject of whose qualification is situated within the special lighting district."

The intention of the Legislature as above expressed was obviously to enable a District Committee to become Gas Undertakers in any Special Lighting District, and to authorise the County Council to borrow money for the purpose and to pledge the rates in security.

But though the object is clear, it is necessary to examine the section with the view of ascertaining whether the intention is capable of being carried into effect. The application of the Act of 1876, which in itself is of some length, and in its terms was devised to meet the circumstances of Burghs, is done in the shortest way, and difficulties, which the system of legislation by reference so frequently gives rise to, intrude themselves.

The section of the Act of 1894 above quoted provides that "Burgh" shall mean "Special Lighting District," and that "Town Council" shall mean "District Committee."

Certain sections of the Act of 1876 therefore require to be read with these meanings in considering the question of its applicability in County districts.

Technical difficulties suggest themselves on a construction of these sections as applied to Counties:—

1. The date of the second meeting called for the purpose of the adoption of the Act must be on a day not earlier than the 3rd and not later than the 30th lawful day after the completion of the "next ensuing annual election of the District Committee." There is no annual election of a District Committee, and no determinate date for the completion of the triennial election. (See Section 78 (1) and (2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.) On a liberal construction of the Act this difficulty might be got over, though even this is doubtful.

2. The poll to be taken is to be by the Chief or Senior Magistrate of the "Burgh," which literally construed would mean "Chief or Senior Magistrate of the Special Lighting District," a provision that is entirely inapplicable. As the application clause in the Act of 1894 gives no general power to vary

the provisions of the Act of 1876 but is specific in its terms, it is unfortunately difficult to see how a point like the one referred to, which is in itself trivial, can be got over.

3. Further difficulties arise as to the taking of a poll of the ratepayers, though these, it is thought, could be met.

4. Section 27 as applied would authorise the District Committee to borrow on mortgage any money that may be necessary for the purchase or erection of gasworks for the Special Lighting District and mortgage the rates therefor.

The intention of the Act of 1894 was doubtless that the County Council should be the authority to borrow money, but the Act fails to give effect to this. Accordingly, if this is so, Section 27 gives this power to the District Committee. This is at variance with the scheme of the Local Government Acts, and is in direct conflict with the rating and borrowing provisions of these Acts. Again, however, the difficulty might on a wide construction of the Acts be got over, were it not that another and serious obstacle interposes itself. It arises on the following sections:—

5. Sections 38 and 39 as applied authorise the levy of "the Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate" for the purpose of meeting borrowed money, &c. All the powers, enactments, and provisions in force with respect to the levying, payment, and recovery of assessments for "Police purposes" within the Special Lighting District are to apply to the levying, payment, and recovery of the "Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate."

This Act as applied would confer upon the District Committee the power of imposing the rate, while the duty of collecting the rate would fall upon the County Council, who are directed to recover the rate along with and in the same manner in all respects and from the same description of persons and property as the assessment for "Police purposes." The County Council do not, however, impose a rate for "Police purposes" in the sense of the Act in a Special Lighting District, and there seems to be no means by which the Acts can be stretched to get over this difficulty.

On a review of the whole situation, it would seem that the conclusion must be arrived at that the intention of the Legislature to confer upon County Authorities powers similar to those possessed by Burghs has unfortunately not been effected. The subject is such an important one in the interests not only of the County Council and the District Committees but of the public, that consideration should be given to the question of the advisability of applying to Parliament either for general legislation or, if that cannot be secured, for special legislation for Lanarkshire. This could, it is thought, be effected by the promotion of a Provisional Order.

If a Provisional Order were applied for, a *prima facie* case would require to be made out in favour of the County Authorities dealing with the question of gas supply in the County. This would need to be preceded by investigation into the circumstances attending the present systems of supply.

There is appended hereto for information a Statement of the various Gas Authorities providing supplies of gas in the County so far as they are known, with certain particulars as to the prices, &c.

T. M.

February, 1913.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS RELATING TO GAS UNDERTAKINGS IN THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

Name of Undertaking.	Annual Make.	Total Consumers.	Mileage of Mains.	Price, Ordinary.	Price, Average.	Candle Power.
	Millions.					
*Airdrie, - -	100,404	5,694	31	2/6	2/2	16
Baillieston, -	14,648	1,023	7	2/11	—	19
Bellshill, - -	36,573	3,100	—	2/11	—	18
Biggar, - -	3,000	360	3	5/10	5/4	23
Blantyre,- -	33,316	1,906	17	2/11	2/11	19‡
†Bothwell and Uddingston,	83,400	4,340	34	2/-	1/11½	17
Cambuslang, -	72,300	6,100	25	2/9	—	16
Carfin, - -	10,000	647	9	3/11½	—	—
Carluke, - -	21,723	1,329	9½	—	2/6	—
†Coatbridge, -	198,789	9,882	70	1/6	—	16½
East Kilbride,	4,150	450	6	5/-	5/-	22
*Glasgow, - -	7,207,621	282,541	1,039	1/11	1/10¾	18
*Hamilton, -	160,066	8,034	39	1/10½	—	17‡
Holytown, -	8,808	919	—	3/9	—	—
Lanark, - -	26,807	1,614	11½	2/11 less 10%	—	—
Larkhall, -	35,111	2,100	—	2/9	—	—
Lesmahagow, -	5,484	504	—	3/4	3/4	23
Motherwell, -	117,317	8,002	—	2/6	—	16½
Shotts, - -	11,605	1,023	7	4/2	—	16
Strathaven, -	13,413	1,005	—	3/6½	—	24
*Wishaw, - -	71,274	4,606	23	2/11	2/11½	17½

* Authorised undertakings of local authorities.
† Authorised undertakings other than those of local authorities.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

29th October. 1913. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 29th October, 1913, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

James H. Fenton.	William Love.
George Fraser.	William Speirs.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
William M. Marshall.	James Tonner.
William Neilson.	James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Chairman. Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was intimated from Colonel King Stewart.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of last meeting of the Committee, of date 8th October, a print of which had been sent to each member, and the proceedings at which had been reported to the County Council at their meeting on 9th October, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Lanarkshire Gas.—Gazette notice. The Clerk reported that he had, along with Mr. Whyte, proceeded to London on 16th October and conferred with the Council's Parliamentary Agents as to the form which the proposed Order should take. The Agents had approved of a General Order being promoted for the whole county on the lines recommended by the Committee. At the meeting a Draft Gazette Notice had been framed, of which prints had already been sent to the members of the Committee. The Clerk explained the procedure which would require to be adopted if the Committee approved of the Draft Notice, and drew attention to the principal points to be kept in view when the Draft Order came to be prepared.

The Committee approved of the Draft Notice, and authorised the Clerk to have it inserted in the "Edinburgh Gazette" and the usual newspapers. The Committee also remitted to the Clerk to proceed with the preparation of a Draft Order in terms of the Notice.

Minutes of Sub-Committee on Lanark County Tramways. The proceedings at a meeting of the Tramways Sub-Committee to-day, of which the Minutes form the appendix, were reported and approved.

Renfrew Burgh Extension granted by Sheriffs. The Clerk reported that the application by the Town Council of Renfrew for an extension of the Burgh Boundaries, to include the portion of South Govan lying between the eastern boundaries of the Burgh of Renfrew and the extended boundary of the City of Glasgow, had come before the Sheriffs of Lanarkshire and Renfrewshire on 1st current. The Petition had been unopposed, and the extension sought had been granted. The Committee were reminded that the amount of the compensation to be paid by the Town Council of Renfrew to the County Council had been previously adjusted, and, accordingly, it was unnecessary for the County Council to take any part in the hearing.

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

29th October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 29th October, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, on the Lanark County Tramways.

Present—

George Fraser.	W. M. Marshall.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Neilson.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Attending—

G. F. Moller, A.M.I.E.E.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Chairman.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 1st October, which had been approved by the County Council on 9th October, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the chairman.

Report by Clerk.

The Clerk reported regarding the several matters aftermentioned, and the sub-committee gave decisions thereanent, as follows:—

Telegraphs in Main Street, Bellshill.

As instructed at last meeting, the Clerk had written, on 2nd current, urging the Postmaster-General to have the poles on the south side of the Main Street, Bellshill, removed at the earliest possible moment. A letter, dated 21st current, had been received from the Secretary of the Post Office, stating that every effort was being made to remove the poles, but that, in view of the magnitude of the work which was necessary to provide alternative accommodation for the wires, it was feared that the removal of the poles could not possibly take place for several months.

It was agreed that the Clerk should again communicate with the Post Office urging them to have the work carried out before the winter weather sets in.

Strengthening of N.B. Railway Bridge at Uddingston.

The Clerk had intimated the committee's decision to the North British Railway Company, and on 2nd current a letter was received from the Secretary of the Company agreeing to accept the County Council's offer of £120 as a contribution towards the cost of reconstructing the bridge. The money had been paid, and the work of laying the tramways across the bridge was being proceeded with.

The meeting approved.

Inspection of Properties to be Acquired.

It was agreed that the inspection of the tramways and the properties proposed to be acquired should take place on Tuesday, 4th November, commencing at the New Stevenston terminus at 2 o'clock.

Lowering of Calder Road, Mossend.

The various works in connection with the lowering of this road were proceeding, although considerable delay had been caused on account of the difficulty of finding masons, and also through the ironfounders from whom the gates and railings had been ordered having been unable to deliver these in time.

An arrangement had been come to between the Coltness Iron Company and the District Committee's Road Surveyor regarding the width of the pavement to be constructed opposite the Coltness Cottages, and this work was in hand.

A proposal had been made by the District Committee to effect a further slight road improvement opposite the Caledonian Railway Company's property adjoining the Coltness Cottages, which would necessitate an alteration in the position of the stair giving access to the pavement opposite the Coltness Cottages, and this might cause a little further delay. The Railway Company had expressed their willingness to allow the improvement to be carried out.

The meeting approved.

Completion of Tramway from Mossend to Holytown.

Mr. Möller had written, on 25th current, intimating that the portion of No. 1 tramway from Mossend to Holytown was completed and ready for service on 17th instant, but that, owing to the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company not being in a position to give a supply of current on this portion of the route until 4 p.m. on 24th current, he had only been able to put a car on at 6.30 on that date. He then ran the first car from Mossend, and was continuing the service.

The meeting approved, and instructed the Clerk to arrange for the Board of Trade Inspection of this portion of the route.

Fares and Fare Stages.

There was submitted a table, prepared by Mr. Möller, showing the result of the working of the tramways from 25th September to 23rd October inclusive.

A copy of the table having been handed to each member, the Clerk explained that, so far, the traffic results on the new lines compared favourably with the traffic on corresponding portions of the original system.

With reference to the petition from the householders in Bellshill regarding the position of the fare stages, Mr. Möller reported that the lengths of the fare stages on the new route were fully up to the average length of the fare stages over the whole system. He also explained that a service of workmen's cars would be given from and after Friday next, and that he anticipated that the running of these cars would obviate the greater number of complaints so far, at least, as workmen were concerned.

After a full discussion, and the various members of the committee having made suggestions, it was agreed to delay consideration of the subject to a meeting of the sub-committee to be held this day three weeks, to which the Clerk would submit a full report dealing with the fare stages and the traffic of the tramways.

It was remitted to the Clerk to frame bye-laws for the new tramways similar to those made by the Lanarkshire Tramways Company for the existing tramways in the district.

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PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 26th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 26th November, 1913.

Present—

John Adam.	William Love.
James H. Fenton.	William M. Marshall.
George Fraser.	William Neilson.
Alexander Hamilton.	Gavin A. Shanks.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	Colonel King Stewart.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
Sir Simon Maconald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.	William Templeton.
	James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, of date 29th October last, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the Chairman. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of meetings of the Sub-Committee on the Lanark County Tramways, of dates 4th and 19th November (Appendix), were submitted, and approved. — *Minutes of Tramways Sub-Committee.*

The Clerk reported that, along with Mr. Whyte, he had proceeded to London on 13th current, and had adjusted the terms of the proposed Order with the Parliamentary Agents. Prints of the Order, as so adjusted, had been issued to members prior to this meeting. — *Lanarkshire Gas Order.*

After receiving explanations from the Clerk as to the various clauses of the Draft Order, in the course of which it was pointed out that the Order was framed specially to remove the difficulties incidental to the adoption of the Gas Acts in County areas, the committee approved of the Draft, subject to such modifications as it might subsequently be found necessary to make upon it, and agreed that the Order should be submitted at a special meeting of the Council to be called in accordance with the provisions of the Borough Funds Act.

Audit of Parliamentary Expenses.

The Clerk reported that 8th December had been fixed as the date for the audit of the Parliamentary expenses incurred in promoting and opposing Private Bills and Provisional Orders during last session, and that the total expenditure as per accounts rendered amounted to £3,592 19s. 3d.

Fees for skilled witnesses.

In this connection the Clerk pointed out that the Auditor of the Court of Session, who was the official appointed by the Secretary for Scotland to audit such accounts, had some time ago intimated that he was not prepared to sanction a higher fee than £6 6s. per day for skilled witnesses before Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899. If this proposal of the Auditor were strictly adhered to it would place Counties at a disadvantage as compared with Burghs in retaining the services of experts, as it would, under such circumstances, be difficult to obtain the services of the best experts, while Burghs, being under no restriction as to the amount which they could pay to their witnesses, would be in a position to secure the services of the most eminent men in the various professions. The matter was left in the hands of the Clerk.

Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913.—Allowance to members of staff of Middle Ward District Committee.

There was submitted a letter, from the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, enclosing excerpts from the minutes of meetings of the Middle Ward Water Committee, of dates 5th and 19th September, containing a recommendation that allowances, amounting in all to £125, should be made to certain members of the Middle Ward District Committee's staff, for extra work performed by them in connection with the promotion of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913. The committee approved.

A suggestion having been made that the services rendered by the Clerk and his staff in connection with the promotion of the Order should also be recognised, the Clerk stated that he and his staff were much gratified with the manner in which the Committee had already expressed appreciation of their services, and he indicated that in his view nothing further need be done.

Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Order.

The Clerk reminded the committee that the Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Order, which had been directed to proceed as a Private Bill, would come before a Parliamentary Committee in London in March or April of next year, and stated that he was taking the necessary steps to have the County Council's opposition prepared.

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LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

At NEW STEVENSTON, on Tuesday, 4th November, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, on the Lanark County Tramways. 4th November, 1913.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
ALEXANDER HAMILTON. | WILLIAM NEILSON.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Attending—

G. F. MÖLLER, A.M.I.E.E.
W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Mr. W. M. Marshall. *Apology.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The members of the committee then proceeded on a tour of inspection of the tramways between New Stevenston and Bellshill Cross, and between Mossend and Holytown, which have already been completed and opened for service. They also traversed the route of the new line between Bellshill Cross and Uddingston Cross, which is still in course of construction. *Inspection of route.*

The attention of the members was directed to the various road widenings and alterations which have been carried out or are in progress along the routes already open for traffic, and there were also pointed out to them the spots at which further improvements remained to be carried out in the road between Uddingston Cross and Bellshill Cross, of all which the committee expressed general approval. *Road widenings and alterations approved.*

The Clerk explained fully to the committee the proposals for acquiring portions of the properties of Mr. Chambers and others for widening the Clydesdale Road, near New Stevenston, and of the properties of Mr. Stewart and others for improving the Fullwood Highway at the junction of that thoroughfare with Christie Street, which had already engaged their attention, and which had been continued for consideration after this inspection. *Proposed acquisition of properties at Clydesdale Road and Fullwood Highway.*

Having carefully examined the various properties, the committee were of opinion that the improvement of the Clydesdale Road should be effected at this time if reasonable terms could be adjusted with Mr. Chambers and the neighbouring proprietors, and remitted to the Clerk to continue his negotiations with these gentlemen. *Clydesdale Road properties. — Mr. Chambers and others.*

Property on Fullwood Highway.—Mr. Paterson.

As regards the proposed improvement of the Fullwood Highway, the committee decided that it would be desirable to widen the roadway only opposite the property of Mr. Paterson, at the western corner of Christie Street, and instructed the Clerk to ascertain on what terms Mr. Paterson would be willing to give up a strip of his ground for that purpose.

Mr. Stewart.

The committee had come to the conclusion that the proposed widening opposite the property of Mr. Stewart at the eastern corner of Christie Street might, meantime, be abandoned, but Mr. Stewart having casually met the committee while inspecting his property, and having indicated that he might consider a proposal for giving up a small angular strip of his ground to improve the corner at the boundary of his feu with the feu to the east, the committee also remitted to the Clerk to enter into negotiations with Mr. Stewart.

Uddingston Cross.—Miss Craig's lease.

The Clerk reported to the committee that Miss Craig, the tenant of the small shop situated on the strip of ground at Uddingston Cross, which was being acquired from Mr. MacCallum, had a lease of her premises which would not expire till Whitsunday, 1915. The Clerk was instructed to ascertain on what terms Miss Craig would be disposed to renounce her lease to enable the improvement at this point to be carried out at once. Failing terms being arranged with Miss Craig, it was decided that, meantime, to obviate any interference with her shop, only one line of rails should be laid round the corner from Bellshill Road to Main Street, Uddingston.

LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

19th November, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 19th November, 1913, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark on the Lanark County Tramways.

Present—

George Fraser.	W. M. Marshall.
Alexander Hamilton.	William Neilson.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Attending—

G. F. Moller, M.I.E.E.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee.

Chairman.

Mr. Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes.

The minutes of meetings of the sub-committee, of dates 29th October and 4th November, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member, having been submitted, were approved and signed by the chairman.

Report by Clerk.

The Clerk reported regarding the several matters aftermentioned, and the sub-committee gave decisions thereanent, as follows:—

Telegraphs in Main Street, Bellshill.

The Post Office Engineer had been interviewed in connection with this matter, and the Clerk had been assured that, while some delay was inevitable, owing to the extent of the operations connected with the diversion of the telegraphs, not only within Bellshill but outside the town, every effort was being made to have the telegraphs removed as soon as possible. The committee instructed the Clerk to again write to the Post Office expressing their disappointment that the poles were not to be removed sooner.

26th November, 1913.

Clydesdale Road Properties.—Mr. Chambers and Others.

Subsequent to the meeting of the sub-committee, on 4th current, Mr. Fraser, the chairman, had had a conversation with Mr. Chambers, when Mr. Chambers intimated that he was the owner of the tenement adjoining the cottage from the front plot of which a strip was proposed to be taken for widening the road. There was a narrow unpaved strip of ground between the wall of the tenement and the paved portion of the footpath in front. Mr. Chambers suggested that if the County Council would lay this unpaved portion with granolithic, and erect a parapet wall, with suitable gate and railings, and lay with granolithic the new pavement to be formed opposite the cottage, he on his part would give up the necessary ground for the improvement without price, and would, in addition, allow a small portion to be taken from the pavement opposite the tenement, so that the improvement might be more thorough. The Engineer, Mr. Scott, had subsequently seen Mr. Chambers, and had adjusted with him a suggested line of widening. A plan showing the proposed line of widening, with an estimate of the cost of the alterations, was submitted, but as the committee were of opinion that the line shown on the plan was not entirely satisfactory, Mr. Fraser agreed to again interview Mr. Chambers, with the view of obtaining his approval to an amended line.

Fullwood Highway.—Mr. Paterson.

A plan of the proposed improvement at Fullwood Highway had been furnished to Mr. Paterson in order that he might consider the proposals of the County Council, and Mr. Paterson had been invited to meet with the Clerk.

Uddingston Cross.—Miss Craig.

Miss Craig, the tenant of the confectioner's shop at Uddingston Cross, had also been approached and negotiations commenced with her.

Claim by Mr. John Gonnella.

A letter, dated 8th November, had been received from Messrs. Marshall & Learmonth, solicitors, Glasgow, on behalf of Mr. John Gonnella, lard manufacturer, 150 Baird Street, Glasgow, who was alleged to have sustained an accident, on 18th October last, while riding his motor-cycle on the Old Edinburgh Highway, about 120 yards west of the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Sub-Station at Bellshill, due, it was averred, to a heap of road-metal having been left unguarded on the road. It was understood that this metal had been removed in the course of the excavations for the new tramways and deposited on the Old Edinburgh Highway for the purposes of the District Committee. The claim had been intimated to the Engineer, Mr. Möller, and to the District Committee, with a view to joint-action being taken if the occasion arose.

Fare stages.—Report by Clerk on working of tramways.

There was submitted a report by the Clerk on the working of the new tramways during the period from 25th September to 13th November, 1913 (Appendix). After full discussion, Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. Lambie, moved that, in view of the terms of the report, the committee express the opinion that no alteration on the fares or fare stages is meantime warranted, and that consideration of the matter be delayed for six months to allow of further experience of the working of the tramways being gained. Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Neilson, moved as an amendment that consideration of the matter be delayed for three months. On a vote being taken as between the motion and amendment, there voted for the amendment two, and for the motion three. The motion, therefore, became the finding of the meeting—Mr. Hamilton dissenting.

APPENDIX.

LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

REPORT ON WORKING OF TRAMWAYS DURING PERIOD FROM 25TH SEPTEMBER TO 13TH NOVEMBER, 1913.

The tramways which are being constructed under the Lanark County Tramways Act, 1912, so far as already completed and open for traffic, consist of the extensions (1) from New Stevenston to Bellshill Cross *via* Calder Road, Mossend Cross, and Main Street, Bellshill, and (2) from Mossend Cross to Holytown.

The extension from New Stevenston to Bellshill Cross was opened for traffic on Thursday, 25th September last, while the extension from Mossend Cross to Holytown was opened for traffic as recently as 24th October. There has thus been seven weeks' experience of the working of the New Stevenston-Bellshill section, as against only three weeks' experience of the working of the Mossend-Holytown section.

Workmen's cars have been run on the New Stevenston-Bellshill section for two weeks, from 30th October to 13th November.

The following table shows the receipts since the opening of the Tramways, and the drawings per car mile:—

Opening day, 25th September, ...	£6 13 8	10·15d.	per car mile.
Week ending 2nd October, ...	156 8 5½	15·05d.	do.
Do. 9th do., ...	108 3 6½	10·32d.	do.
Do. 16th do., ...	108 12 6	10·34d.	do.
Do. 23rd do., ...	101 5 7	9 68d.	do.
Do. 30th do., ...	95 15 0½	9·15d.	do.
Do. 6th November, ...	97 12 9½	9·06d.	do.
Do. 13th do.	92 7 10½	8·83d.	do.
	£766 19 5½		

WORKMEN'S CARS.

Week ending 6th November, ...	£5 3 6	5·83d.	do.
Do. 13th do.	7 5 0	6.82d.	do.
	£12 8 6		

MOSSEND—HOLYTOWN—ORDINARY TRAFFIC.

Week ending 30th October, ...	£19 16 5	6.85d.	do.
Do. 6th November, ...	21 5 10½	6·19d.	do.
Do. 13th do., ...	19 2 5	5·59d.	do.
	£60 4 8½		

The total revenue from both extensions has thus been £839 12s. 8d., and the revenue per car mile, 9·77d.

As was to be expected, the novelty of the tramways attracted an exceptional number of passengers for the first week or so, but this phase may be said to be over, and the traffic has probably reached its normal volume under existing conditions. At the same time, the exceptional traffic has had the effect of swelling the average for the period embraced in the report, and this fact, as well as the fact that figures are only available for the Holytown-Mossend section for three weeks, requires to be kept in view.

It may, however, be assumed that the traffic during the last three weeks, when the novelty of the cars had worn off, and both sections were in operation, and when workmen's cars had been running on the longer section for two-thirds of the time, reasonably approximates to the ordinary conditions. Taking an average of these three weeks, the income would be practically £125 per week. This is very near to the Manager's estimate of £120 of receipts per week, equal to 8d. per car mile.

The passengers carried between New Stevenston and Bellshill, for which alone figures relating to the numbers of passengers are so far available were :—

Ordinary, ...	177,335
Workmen, ...	4,639
	181,974

Of the Ordinary Passengers, ...	79,191	or	44·6°/₀	paid ½d. fare.
Do. do. do., ...	62,131	or	35°/₀	„ 1d. do.
Do. Workmen do., ...	3,062	or	66°/₀	„ ½d. do.
Do. do. do., ...	1,236	or	26·6°/₀	„ 1d. do.

The Manager states that over the whole tramway system the 1d. fare accounts for approximately 34 per cent. of the total receipts. On the figures given above, the 1d. fare over the new section accounts for almost 34 per cent of the receipts.

Looking to the large percentage of persons who pay 1d. fares, and the importance of their contribution to the revenue of the undertaking, any change in the fare stages which would have the effect of increasing the halfpenny fares at the expense of the penny fares calls for careful consideration.

As the committee are aware, dissatisfaction has been expressed with the fare stages between New Stevenston and Bellshill Cross. That distance is at present divided into four halfpenny stages :—

Carfin Street and Coronation Road, ...	885·36 yards.
Coronation Road and Mossend Farm, ...	972·16 „
Mossend Farm and Brandon Street, ...	1,006·88 „
Brandon Street and Bellshill Cross, ...	937 „

The average length of these stages is 950·3 yards. On the whole tramway system there are 76 halfpenny fare stages; the longest of these, from Ferniegair Bar to Allanton, measures 1,317 yards, and the shortest from pole No. 195, in Motherwell Road to the power-house, 660 yards. The average halfpenny fare stage over the whole system is 924 yards. The fare stages suggested by the Bellshill petitioners are :—

Bellshill Cross to Mossend Cross, ...	1,276 yards.
Mossend Cross to Clydesdale Works, ...	1,188 „
Clydesdale Works to New Stevenston, ...	1,265 „

The average length of the suggested stages is thus 1,243 yards, or 319 yards in excess of the average halfpenny stage over the whole system.

The Manager is of opinion that if the fare stages suggested by the petitioners were adopted in lieu of the present stages, a reduction in the revenue would follow which he estimates at 10 per cent. On the other hand, the experience of Glasgow shows that a falling-off in receipts such as is anticipated does not always take place.

It must be kept in view that if the petitioners' request were granted, this would in all likelihood lead to a demand from other localities for similar concessions, which might ultimately lead to a complete re-casting of fare stages over the whole system. This, however, is a matter for the Company's consideration.

The Manager pointed out on a previous occasion that the running of workmen's cars would materially contribute to the solution of the difficulty. So far as workmen only are concerned, this belief appears to be justified, as no less than 66 per cent. of the workmen are able to use halfpenny tickets. The workmen and other travellers using workmen's cars, however, are so far only a small percentage of the whole passengers, and any grievance ordinary passengers may have has not therefore been removed by the running of workman's cars.

It should also be kept in view that the portions of the new tramways now open traverse the most thickly populated areas which the tramways were planned to serve. The Manager is of opinion that the extension yet to be opened from Bellshill to Uddingston may not prove so remunerative as the sections already open, and he advises caution in making any change of fare stages which may have the effect of reducing the earnings per car mile.

T.M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 18th November, 1913.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 15th October, 1913, being a meeting of the Elections Committee of the County of Lanark. — 15th October, 1913.

Present—

Walter C. B. Christie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
W. M. Marshall.
William Neilson.
William Speirs.
William Sym.

Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart was called to the chair. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 17th October, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Under Secretary for Scotland, which was in the following terms, viz.:— — *Readjustment of Electoral Divisions. Letter from Secretary for Scotland.*

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, 20th September, 1913.

Sir,

"ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF LANARKSHIRE.

"With reference to previous correspondence, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to transmit herewith to you copy of an Order, under his hand and seal, bearing date the 20th instant, giving effect to the representation of the County Council of Lanarkshire for a readjustment of Electoral Divisions in the County.

"The Order will be officially published in the *Edinburgh Gazette*, and additional printed copies will be available in a few days if required.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "JOHN LAMB."

The Clerk submitted the Order referred to in the foregoing communication, together with an excerpt from the *Edinburgh Gazette*, of date 23rd September, containing a copy of it. — *Order by Secretary for Scotland.*

Letter from Local Government Board re Parishes of Cadder, Rutherglen, and Glasgow.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the Local Government Board, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Local Government Board,
"Edinburgh, 10th October, 1913.

"SIR,

"PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

"Referring to your letter of 6th instant, I am directed to say that the Board's opinion on the Draft Order allocating the fifteen Councillors for the Parish of Cadder among the various Wards has already been conveyed to you by telegram in the following terms:—'Order dividing Cadder Parish into Wards seems to meet circumstances of case, and Board have no observations to offer.' They presume a copy will be forwarded in due course, in terms of Section 13 (8) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894.

"With regard to the proposed representation of the Parish of Rutherglen, the Board are in communication with the Town-Clerk, and will write you further on the matter.

"In reference to the representation of Glasgow Parish, I am to say that the Board approve the number and proportion of Parish Councillors, as fixed by the County Council and Town Council jointly, viz.:—

For the Burgh of Glasgow, ...	28
For the Landward Area, ...	3
Total, ...	31

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "DAVID BROWN,
"*Assistant Secretary.*"

Parish of Dalserf. — Communication from Local Government Board.

The Clerk submitted and read a further letter from the Local Government Board, approving the number and proportion of Parish Councillors for the Parish of Dalserf, as fixed by the County Council, viz.:—

North Larkhall, ...	5
South Larkhall, ...	5
Dalserf, ...	5
	15

Order by County Council relative to Parish of Cadder.

A copy of the Order (Appendix) made by the County Council, in terms of Section 13 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, relating to the Parish of Cadder, was submitted to the meeting.

Proposed appointment of additional member to Landward Committee of Glasgow Parish.—Clerk's meeting with Local Government Board.

With reference to the proposed appointment of additional members of the Landward Committee of the Parish of Glasgow, the Clerk stated that a representative of the Local Government Board had called upon him regarding the representation made by the County Council on the subject, and he stated that it had been suggested that a meeting might be arranged between representatives of the County Council and the members of the existing Landward Committee of the Parish of Glasgow.

Appointment of members to meet Board and members of existing Landward Committee, if necessary.

The meeting agreed to adhere to the view formerly expressed by them as to the expediency of appointing additional members to the Landward Committee of Glasgow Parish, and appointed Mr. Spiers and Mr. Christie, along with the Clerk, to represent the County Council at any meeting with the members of the Landward Committee or with the Board that might be arranged.

Printing.—Letter from Hodge & Co., asking for an increased rate.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from Messrs. Wm. Hodge & Company, printers, Glasgow, who had done part of the printing in connection with the past Elections of the County and Parish Councils, stating that they would be pleased again to undertake the work, at an increased rate of 25 per cent. over the prices which obtained in 1910.

Request refused, and Robert Anderson to execute whole of printing.

The meeting, after consideration, did not see their way, at this late date, to make an alteration of the existing prices, and, on a division, agreed to

ffer the contract for printing to Mr. Robert Anderson, printer, who had xpressed his willingness to undertake it at prices stated in the scale of xpenses which applied in the case of the Elections of 1910.

Communication from Inspector of Poor, New Monkland, re admission of New Monkland South Parish Ward.

The Clerk submitted a letter, of date 10th current, from Mr. Andrew . Alston, Inspector of Poor, New Monkland, suggesting that New Monkland outh Parish Ward should be divided into three Polling Districts instead of wo, viz.:—(1) Longriggend, (2) Glengowan, and (3) Clarkston.

No alteration to be made.

The Clerk having stated that to give effect to this proposal would involve he splitting up of the Registers, which were now completed and in the hands f the Sheriff-Clerk, the meeting instructed him to reply that they could not, t this stage, accede to the request.

Scale of expenses.

There was again laid before the meeeting the scale of expenses which pplied in the case of the Election of the County and Parish Councils in 910, a print of which is appended to the minutes of the committee, of date 7th ultimo.

Statement by Clerk.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the scale, the Clerk stated that, y the disjunction from the County of the Burghs of Govan and Partick and portion of the Lower Ward, the total number of County Council electors would be considerably reduced, and that as a consequence the allowance made o him under item 20 of the scale for professional and other assistance in the reparation for and conduct of the elections would be less by about £30.

Scale approved by Committee.

The meeting, after consideration, approved of the scale, and instructed the lerk to transmit it to the Secretary for Scotland for his approval, as required y the statute—Mr. Hamilton dissenting.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1894.

ORDER

BY THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK.

WHEREAS the Secretary for Scotland has made an Order, dated the wentieth day of September, Nineteen hundred and thirteen, altering the umbers, contents, and boundaries of the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward District of the County, including the Parish of Cadder:

AND WHEREAS, in consequence of such Order, it is expedient that certain alterations of the Parish Wards of the Parish of Cadder should be made:

THEREFORE we do hereby, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us y Section 13 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, revoke the Order made by the County Council on the Tenth day of October, Nineteen undred and seven, and resolve and determine that the Bishopbriggs South Electoral Division of the said Parish shall be divided into Parish Wards, as ollows:—

(1) LENZIE—that part of Bishopbriggs South County Council Electoral Division lying generally to the south and east of a line commencing at the County and Parish boundary where the Glasgow and Edinburgh Branch of the North British Railway crosses it; thence in a south-westerly direction along the centre of said railway line till it meets the prolongation of the western boundary of enclosure No. 771 of the Ordnance

Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence in a southerly direction along said prolongation of boundary to the north-west corner of enclosure No. 771 of the Ordnance Survey Map of the Parish of Cadder; thence along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 771 and 772 to the centre of the Crosshill Road; thence along the centre of the said road to the prolongation of the western boundary of enclosure No. 823; thence in a southerly direction along the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 823 and 822; thence along the southern boundary of last-mentioned enclosure and the western boundaries of enclosures Nos. 843 and 1554 to the boundary of the said electoral division;

(2) Bishopbriggs South—the remainder of Bishopbriggs South County Council Electoral Division;

And Whereas no alteration is proposed to be made in the number of Parish Councillors for the said parish, which stands at Fifteen:

Therefore we, the County Council, do hereby in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by Sub-Section 4 of Section 13 of the said Act, assign the number of Parish Councillors to the various Wards of the parish as follows, viz.:—

Bishopbriggs North, ...	3
Bishopbriggs South (Optional Ward), ...	2
Lenzie (Optional Ward), ...	2
Stepps, ...	2
Chryston, ...	4
Gartcosh, ...	2

Nothing in this Order shall affect the constitution of the Parish Council during its present term of office:

Given under our hands and under the Common Seal of the County Council, this, the Ninth day of October, Nineteen hundred and thirteen.

GEORGE FRASER,
WM. NEILSON,
Two Members of County Council.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

22nd October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 22nd October, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Elections Committee appointed with reference to the proposed election of additional members to the Landward Committee of the Parish of Glasgow.

Present—

Walter C. B. Christie. | William Speirs.

Chairman.

Mr. Speirs in the Chair.

Question of election of additional members to the Landward Committee of the Parish of Glasgow.

Under reference to the minutes of the Elections Committee, of date 15th October, containing the remit to the sub-committee, the Clerk stated that, so far, no reply had been received from the Local Government Board to the representation which had been made to them in regard to the election of additional members to the Landward Committee of the Parish of Glasgow.

The meeting, after careful consideration, agreed that, having regard to the limited time which is now available for making the necessary arrangements in connection with the ensuing elections, the matter of the appointment of additional members to the Landward Committee of the Parish of Glasgow should not meantime be pressed, on the understanding that the views of the County Council in the matter were conserved, and that the Board would carefully consider the proposal prior to the next Triennial Election. The meeting instructed the Clerk accordingly.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

22nd October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 22nd October, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed with reference to the formation of Special Districts under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894.

Present—

John Adam.
Walter C. B. Christie.
George Fraser.
Alexander Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
James Prentice.
William Sym.
John Todd.

There was also present—

Rev. Christopher M'Kune, being the representative on the County Council of Abington Electoral Division.

Attending—

A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.

Chairman.

Mr. Adam, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and stated that the usual public intimation of the meeting had been given in the "Glasgow Herald" newspaper of date 17th instant.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 25th June, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Resolution by District Committee of Upper Ward forming Special Scavenging District at Crawford.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, of date 24th September, 1913, transmitting, in terms of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) 1894, copy resolution adopted by the District Committee of the Upper Ward at a special meeting held on 15th September, 1913, forming a Special Scavenging District to be co-extensive with the area of the Crawford Special Water District, and adopting within the said special district the provisions of Sections 107 to 127 and 253 to 255 inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, and also the provisions of Section 24 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903.

Map submitted.

There was laid before the meeting a map showing the proposals of the District Committee with regard to the district referred to, together with information as to the valuation of the district and the assessments presently levied therein by the County Council.

Agreed to give Council's consent.

The Clerk having stated that no objections had been intimated to the resolution of the District Committee, the meeting, after consideration, and, as empowered by the County Council, resolved to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolution of the District Committee of the Upper Ward forming a Special Scavenging District to be co-extensive with the area of the Crawford Special Water District, all as set forth in the advertisement of the resolution of the District Committee published in the *Hamilton Advertiser* newspaper of date 20th September, 1913, and as the district is delineated upon the map submitted.

Public intimation of resolution.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimation of this resolution as may be required by statute.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd October, 1913, being a meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 22nd October, 1913.

Present—

ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
JAMES PRENTICE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SYM.
JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

ANDREW MITCHELL, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 24th September, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was submitted to the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector. (Appendix). *Report by Chief Inspector.*

The meeting having gone over the list of Inspectors' salaries to 15th November, the Inspectors' assistants wages to 15th October, the Inspectors' expenses to 15th October, and accounts, &c., as set forth in Appendix II. to the report of the Chief Inspector, the same were passed for payment. *Statement of salaries, &c.*

The meeting, having taken into consideration the re-adjustment of the Weights and Measures districts suggested by the Chief Inspector in his Report, agreed that the scheme prepared by the Chief Inspector, in consultation with the Clerk, should be adopted in its entirety, and that the new office of the Chief Inspector should be situated at Cambuslang. *Readjustment of Weights and Measures Districts.*

The Clerk explained that these proposals would not, however, take effect until Whitsunday next.

Weights and Measures Office at Motherwell.—Increased rent.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a letter dated 15th October, 1913, from Mr. William Miller, Solicitor, Motherwell, requesting that the increased rent of the Weights and Measures Office there, should commence from the date when the alterations were completed. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to accede to the request.

Application by Mr. Joseph Paterson for increase of salary.

There was submitted to the meeting an application by Mr. Joseph Paterson, Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Airdrie district, for an increase of salary. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to increase Mr. Paterson's salary from £140 to £145, the increase to take effect as from 15th current.

Question of liability resting on committee in respect of traders' weights and measures.

With reference to the question of the liability resting on the committee with respect to traders' weights and measures, which may for the time being be kept in the offices of Weights and Measures, the meeting, after hearing a statement by the Clerk on the subject, agreed that, without accepting any liability of traders in the matter, the Fire Insurance Policy, in name of the County Council, should be increased by £50 to cover such risk.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street, Wishaw, 17*th October*, 1913.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of September (Appendix I.). *Summary of Inspectors' reports for September.*

I also submit a statement (Appendix II.) of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses, together with the amounts falling to be paid in respect of rents of offices due on 11th November. *Statement of salaries of Inspectors, &c.*

Since the last meeting of the Committee I have had a consultation with the County Clerk in regard to the proposed readjustment of the districts, and I submit the following proposals for the consideration of the Committee:— *Proposed readjustment of districts.*

I find that at the present time, with my office at Wishaw, and having charge of a district which includes the whole of the Upper Ward, the duties necessitate long absences from the office, and consequently I cannot devote the time which I should like to the supervision of the work generally. I therefore suggest that Mr. Paterson, presently in charge of the Airdrie District, should be transferred to Wishaw; that Mr. Chrystal should remain at Motherwell; that the office at Airdrie should be given up, and an office opened at either Cambuslang or Rutherglen, and that I should take charge of that district.

If these proposals are agreed to, the districts would be made up as follows:— *Suggested new districts.*

No. I. District—Comprising the Parishes of Rutherglen, including the Burgh, and the Parishes of Carmunnock, Cambuslang, Blantyre, East Kilbride, and parts of the Parishes of Cadder and Old Monkland—The Chief Inspector.

No. II. District—Comprising the Parishes of Hamilton (Landward), Bothwell, Dalziel, including the Burgh of Motherwell, New Monkland, Avondale, Stonehouse, Dalserf, and parts of the Parishes of Cadder and Old Monkland—Robert Chrystal, 31 Melville Drive, Motherwell.

No. III. District—Comprising the Upper Ward, including the Burghs of Biggar and Lanark, and the Parish of Cambusnethan, including the Burgh of Wishaw and the Parish of Shotts—Joseph Paterson.

Note showing division of County into Districts as existing at time of Mr. Mitchell's appointment as Chief Inspector.

For the information of the Committee, I submit a Note (Appendix III.) showing the division of the County into districts, as existing at the time of my appointment as Chief Inspector.

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1913.

VERIFICATION WORK.

DISTRICT.	Number of Weights, &c., Submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2, ...	1,266	121	17	8	1,087	4	24	1,087	4	2	—	3
„ 3, ...	208	4	1	—	62	135	6	62	1	—	—	—
„ 4, ...	1,112	68	36	20	940	18	14	940	18	12	2	2
	2,586	193	54	28	2,089	157	44	2,089	23	14	2	5

OUTDOOR INSPECTION.

DISTRICT.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	CORRECT.			INCORRECT.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2, ...	431	8,280	5,552	1,401	872	317	56	82
„ 3, ...	83	1,582	883	548	146	2	1	2
„ 4, ...	*17	28	—	—	22	—	—	6
	531	9,890	6,435	1,949	1,040	319	57	90

* Of these 15 were Collieries.

FEES.

DISTRICT.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 2, ...	£5 6 6½	£8 10 10½	£13 17 5
„ 3, ...	2 10 8	0 11 8	3 2 4
„ 4, ...	9 15 8	7 18 5½	17 14 1½
Total,	£17 12 10½	£17 1 0	£34 13 10½

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1892.

No. 2 District.—Articles made up for sale were Weighed or Measured in 63 Shops.
No. 3 Do. do. do. do. 25 do.

22nd October, 1913.

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APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATEMENT OF SALARIES OF INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th November.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15 0 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13 6 8		
Inspector Paterson, ...	11 13 4		
		£40	0 0

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 15th October.

Chief Inspector, ...	5 12 0		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 8 0		
Inspector Paterson, ...	5 12 0		
		17	12 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th October.

Chief Inspector, ...	£6 19 6		
Inspector Chrystal, ...	0 12 3		
Inspector Paterson, ...	3 15 1		
		£11	6 10

Carting Weights, Testing of Weighing Machines at the Pits, &c.

Gilchrist Brothers, Wishaw, ...	3 12 0		
John Miller, Motherwell, ...	3 16 6		
		£7	8 6

National Insurance—County's Contribution in respect of Inspectors and Assistants, ...		0	5 6
Total, ...		£76	12 10

Office Rents.

Office—47 Hill Street, Wishaw, ...		£11	0 0
Proprietor—Robert Wardrop, Kirkbrae, Cambusnethan, Wishaw.			
Office—31 Melville Drive, Motherwell, ...		7	10 0
Factor—William Miller, Solicitor, Motherwell.			
Office—6 Alexander Street, Airdrie, ...		8	0 0
Proprietor—Wm. Brown, Lizzieville, Rawyards, Airdrie.			
Total, ...		£26	10 0

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTE SHOWING THE DIVISION OF THE COUNTY INTO DISTRICTS AS EXISTING AT THE TIME OF MR. MITCHELL'S APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF INSPECTOR.

No. 1 District, comprising the Parishes of Rutherglen (including Burgh) and Carmunnock—The Chief Inspector.

No. 2 District, comprising the Parishes of Dalziel (including Burgh of Motherwell), Blantyre, Hamilton (Landward), Bothwell (part of), Cambuslang, and East Kilbride—Robert Chrystal, 31 Melville Drive, Motherwell.

No. 3 District, comprising the Upper Ward (including Burgh of Biggar), Burgh of Lanark, Parishes of Avondale, Stonehouse, Dalserf, and Cambusnethan, part of (including Burgh of Wishaw)—Andrew Mitchell, 47 Hill Street, Wishaw.

No. 4 District, comprising the Parishes of New Monkland, Old Monkland, Cadder, Glasgow (Landward), Cambusnethan (part of), Bothwell (part of), and Shotts—Joseph Paterson, 6 Alexander Street, Airdrie.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 26th November, 1913.

Present—

ALEXANDER HAMILTON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Attending—

ANDREW MITCHELL, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Chairman. In the absence of Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, from whom an apology was intimated, Mr. Lambie was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 22nd October, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Report by Chief Inspector. There was submitted to the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector (Appendix).

Statement of salaries, &c. The meeting having gone over the list of Inspectors' salaries to 15th December, the Inspectors' assistants' wages to 15th November, the Inspectors' expenses to 15th November, and accounts, as set forth in Appendix II. to the report of the Chief Inspector, the same were passed for payment.

Resignation of Inspector Paterson's Assistant. The meeting, in accordance with the recommendation of the Chief Inspector, appointed Mr. Alexander Sinclair, Bellshill, to the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Robert Farquhar, Inspector Paterson's Assistant, at a commencing wage of 26s. per week.

Letter from Inspector Paterson. There was submitted a letter from Inspector Paterson, of date 24th ultimo, thanking the committee for the increase of salary granted to him.

APPENDIX,

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street, Wishaw, 17*th November*, 1913.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

Summary of inspectors' reports for October.

I submit summary of the reports of the inspectors for the month of October (Appendix I.)

Statement of salaries of inspectors, &c.

I also submit a statement (Appendix II.) of the salaries of the inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and also of expenses.

Resignation of Inspector Paterson's assistant.

I have to report that Mr. Robert Farquhar, Inspector Paterson's assistant, has resigned, and that he left on the 15th instant. After consulting with the chairman of the committee, I made arrangements with Inspector Paterson for carrying on the work until the meeting of the committee.

Having satisfied myself as to his qualifications, I would respectfully recommend to the committee the appointment of Mr. Alexander Sinclair, Bellshill, to fill the vacancy.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st OCTOBER, 1913.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	114	18	—	—	90	—	6	90	—	—	—	—
,, 3,	33	—	—	—	17	3	8	17	—	—	—	5
,, 4,	82	—	—	—	60	5	15	60	—	—	—	2
Total,	229	18	—	—	167	8	29	167	—	—	—	7

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	*151	160	—	—	130	—	—	30
,, 3,	*117	117	—	—	112	—	—	5
,, 4,	*114	118	—	—	98	—	—	20
	382	395	—	—	340	—	—	55

* Of these 94, 69, and 88 were Collieries.

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 2,	1 19 11½	0 12 10½	2 12 10
,, 3,	5 0 6	0 2 3½	5 2 9½
,, 4,	6 18 2½	0 13 0½	7 11 3
Total,	13 18 8	1 8 2½	15 6 10½

26th November, 1913.

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APPENDIX II.

STATEMENT OF SALARIES OF INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th December.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13	6	8
Inspector Paterson, ...	12	10	0
			£40 16 8

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 15th November.

Chief Inspector, ...	£7	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	8	0	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	7	0	0
			22 0 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th November.

Chief Inspector, ...	£4	15	6
Inspector Chrystal, ...	1	19	3
Inspector Paterson, ...	6	4	4
			12 19 1

Carting Weights—Testing of Weighing Machines at Pits, &c.

John Miller, Motherwell, ...	£5	3	6
Robert Haddow, Lanark, ...	5	5	0
Edward Lawrie, Airdrie, ...	11	4	0
			21 12 6

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 5th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 5th November, 1913.

Present—

William Barr.	Colonel Logan.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Neilson.
William L. Dyer.	Alexander Pillans.
George Fraser.	William Speirs.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	John Todd.
Robert Lambie.	James C. Hope Vere.

Mr. Neilson, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st October, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £76,680 12s. 6d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book being initialed by the chairman and Mr. Lambie. *Accounts and Requisitions.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:— *Statement of loan indebtedness.*

Statement of Loan Indebtedness as at 1st November, 1913.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£991,646	18 8
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£39,806 7 7		
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	31,096 10 8		
		8,709	16 11
		£1,000,356	15 7
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		45,444	8 6
		£1,045,801	4 1

The County Fund stands at £63,288 5s. 7d. to the debit.

Middle Ward Water Requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward water undertaking, viz.:—

No. 170 (new), dated 1st November, 1913, ...	£161 15 0
No. 175 (old), dated 1st November, 1913, ...	261 12 5

Equivalent Grant.—Lighting of (1) Burnhead, &c., Highway; and (2) Cumbernauld and Shettleston Main Roads.

Under reference to the minutes of the Finance Committee, of dates 3rd September and 1st October, the Clerk submitted communications which he had received from the Under Secretary, conveying the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, in terms of Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, to the appropriation from the Equivalent Grant of (1) an additional sum of £39 for the purpose of installing automatic lighting apparatus in connection with the lighting of Burnhead, Woodside, and Netherburn Highway, in the District of the Middle Ward; and (2) a sum of £37 11s. for the purpose of lighting certain portions of the Cambernauld and Shettleston Main Roads, in the District of the Lower Ward.

Equivalent Grant.—Letter of thanks from Motherwell Public Library.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter, from the Librarian, Motherwell Public Library, of date 13th ultimo, thanking the County Council for the contribution proposed to be made from the Equivalent Grant to the Library.

House Letting Act.—Question of giving publicity to assessments imposed upon occupiers of small dwelling-houses.

A question having been raised as to whether the County Council should give greater publicity to the occupiers' rates levied under the House Letting and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1911, in order that occupiers of small dwelling-houses may be in a position to note the assessments imposed upon them, the Clerk explained that the practice hitherto adopted by him had been to prepare a return showing the total occupiers' local rates levied in the several rating areas, and to send copies to the Clerks to Parish Councils, the Lands Valuation Assessors, and to all other persons who made application for information. The meeting, having discussed the matter, and considered certain suggestions made by the Clerk as to how best the desired information could be made available for the public, at the minimum of expense, agreed, on a division, that the Clerk, in addition to the usual return, should prepare and issue posters in the several rating areas giving the total amount of local rates imposed on occupiers under the House Letting Act.

Lands Valuation Appeal—Carron Company.—Letter from Messrs. John C. Brodie & Sons.

Under reference to the minutes of the Valuation Committee for the Lower Ward, of date 30th September, 1913, the Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. John C. Brodie & Sons, 5 Thistle Street, Edinburgh, agents for the Carron Company, of date 3rd current, intimating that the Company did not propose to proceed further with their appeal regarding the valuation of houses in the Cadder Parish, but that it was the intention of the Company to decline to pay to the respective rating authorities any greater sum for occupiers' rates for 1913 14 than the amount thereof, under deduction of the commission applicable to the rates on the houses in question. After an explanation by the Clerk as to the principle involved, the meeting were of opinion, and resolved, that the proper course for the Carron Company to adopt was to lodge an appeal against the current year's assessments, if they found that the subjects in question were not being treated as small dwelling-houses, in which event the appeal would be dealt with in due course by the appropriate Appeal Committee.

Insurance of Collectors' and Office Staff.—Fresh quotations to be taken.

The Clerk having reported that he had received, from the National Guarantee & Suretyship Association, Ltd., quotations for the Fidelity Guarantees of the Collectors of County Rates, and of his own office staff, which were lower than those presently payable, he was instructed to invite fresh quotations from the Company at present holding the business—the Royal Insurance Company—and thereafter to deal with the matter, in consultation with the chairman.

Colours of 2nd Royal Lanark Rifles.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the Lanark Court House Commissioners, of date 7th ultimo, stating that the Commissioners were of opinion that the Colours of the 2nd Royal Lanark Rifles, belonging to the County Council, which were presently stored in the Sheriff's room, should be hung in the County Hall. The meeting, while approving of this being done, were of opinion that the approval of the Joint-Committee in charge of the County Hall should also be obtained, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

Request by D. Macmillan, Glasgow, for statement showing value of land acquired by County Council.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, from Mr. D. Macmillan, Glasgow, of date 20th October, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"175 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow,
"20th October, 1913.

"DEAR SIR,

"Referring to my meeting with you to-day, I shall be glad if you will kindly put the matter of my request before your Finance Committee.

"As I explained to-day, I am gathering information from various public bodies in Scotland as to the cost to them of acquiring land for public purposes, and I should be obliged if your committee would be good enough to authorise you to let me have a statement of land acquired by your Council, containing, where relevant, the following:—

Price paid per acre to the Landowner for the land acquired.
Total area of land acquired, and total price.
Compensation, if any, paid to the tenant.
Basis of such compensation, and rate per acre.
Arbitration expenses.
Total cost to the County Council, and rate per acre.
If possible, the capital value of similar land in the immediate neighbourhood for agricultural purposes.

"I hope you may be able to deal with the matter soon, as it is somewhat urgent.

"Yours faithfully,
"D. MACMILLAN."

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to reply that, as the purpose for which the information was required was not official, the committee were of opinion that they would not be justified in acceding to the request.

Additional accommodation in County Buildings, Glasgow.

The Clerk having reported that arrangements could be made with the Glasgow Court House Commissioners for the use of an additional room in the County Buildings, adjoining those presently used for meetings of committees, at a rent of £10, *plus* 10 per cent. on the furniture, the meeting approved of the proposal, and instructed the Clerk to arrange accordingly.

Children Act.—Case of boy, Michael Roy.

The Clerk reported the case of a boy, Michael Roy, residing at Springwell, Blantyre, who was found guilty of theft by housebreaking, and had been committed to Parkhead Reformatory. The meeting agreed, in terms of the Children Act, to become responsible for the offender's maintenance in the institution.

Reconstitution of Electoral Divisions.—Payments to Lands Valuation Assessors.

The Clerk having brought to the notice of the meeting the extra and special work incurred by the Lands Valuation Assessors for the Middle and Lower Wards, and their respective staffs, in connection with the reconstitution of the Electoral Divisions in the County, the meeting, after consideration, agreed that an inclusive fee of £5 5s. be paid to the Middle Ward Assessor and his staff, and a fee of £3 3s. to the Lower Ward Assessor, with £5 5s. to be divided amongst his staff.

Elections.—Renting of office at 166 Buchanan Street, Glasgow.

The Clerk reported that, as authorised by the Business Committee, he had rented, for the period from 9th October, 1913, to Whitsunday, 1915, rooms at 166 Buchanan Street, Glasgow, to be used as an office during the ensuing elections, and thereafter for the purposes of the County Council, including the collection of County Rates, the rent being £70 per annum.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

MIDDLE WARD.

(1) £40 for the provision and erection of additional lamp-pillars and lamps at Burnhead and Hareleeshill, within the Larkhall Special Lighting District.

(2) £200 for the laying of pipes in connection with the introduction of gravitation water to Sandford village, in the Parish of Stonehouse.

(3) £75 for a widening and improvement of Carmyle Avenue Highway at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland.

(4) £940, being additional cost of new slaughter-house at Baillieston.

(5) £100 for the widening and improvement of Overton Highway, in the Parish of Cambuslang.

LOWER WARD.

(1) (*a*) £330, being additional cost of construction of sewers; and (*b*) £120, being additional cost of construction of sewage disposal works, both within the Carmunnock Special Drainage District.

(2) £1,000 for the laying of a sewer for the drainage of the west end of Chryston, within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

(3) (*a*) £640, being additional cost of construction of sewers; and (*b*) £330, being additional cost of construction of sewage disposal works, both within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

(4) £200, being additional cost of construction of sewers within the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Drainage District.

(5) £1,000, being the Lower Ward District's proportion of additional cost of construction, jointly with the Burgh of Rutherglen, of intercepting sewers for the burgh and the landward part of Rutherglen parish.

THE COUNTY.

£3,300 for the proposed construction of a new highway at Glenboig, in the Parish of New Monkland.

Rutherglen intercepting sewer.

With reference to the application of the District Committee of the Lower Ward for consent to the borrowing of £1,000 in connection with Rutherglen intercepting sewers, the Clerk reminded the meeting of Section 37 (7) (*a*) of the Glasgow Corporation (Sewage, &c.) Act, 1898, which was in the following terms:—

> "The Rutherglen Council and the Lanarkshire Council may borrow jointly or separately, as they may deem expedient for the purpose of constructing the works to be made by them under this Section, any sums of money not exceeding on the whole the sum of £20,000, or if they determine to borrow separately they may each borrow any sums not exceeding on the whole the sum of £10,000."

The Clerk added that, excluding the sum in the application now before the meeting, the total amount borrowed to date, under the section in question, including interest added to capital till 1909-10, in respect that no funds were available towards meeting interest charges prior to the imposing of assessment in 1910-11, amounted to £19,599 2s. 11d., which left only £400 17s. 1d. available to meet the £1,000 now asked for. He further pointed out that, while this was the position as regards the combined borrowing, it had to be kept in view that the authorities had been borrowing separately, and that accordingly the Lanarkshire Authority could, under the above section, borrow up to £10,000, whereas up till now they had borrowed only £4,612 12s. 5d. It was also explained that the reason of the County's proportion being so much under the amount authorised by statute on the basis of separate borrowing was owing to the fact that the burgh had annexed a large part of the County territory subsequent to the 1898 Act, which had increased the burgh's obligations correspondingly, but without interfering with the borrowing powers contained in the 1898 Act.

The meeting, in the circumstances, remitted the whole matter to the Clerk for enquiry and report, and meantime continued consideration of the District Committee's application.

Construction of new highway at Glenboig.

With reference to the application for the borrowing of £3,300 for the proposed construction of a new highway at Glenboig, the Clerk having explained that the application had not yet been considered by the County Road Board, the meeting delayed consideration of it.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, excepting those relating to (1) Rutherglen intercepting sewers, and (2) the proposed construction of a new highway at Glenboig, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

Remit to any two Members to pass accounts and sign cheques.

It was remitted to any two members to pass accounts and sign cheques for any precept that may be made up before the next meeting of the Committee.

Termination of Mr. Neilson's connection with the County Council.—Expression of appreciation of services.

Before concluding the business of the meeting, reference was made to the fact that as Mr. Neilson, who had been chairman of the committee since 1898, had intimated his intention of retiring at the expiration of the current term of office of the existing Council, this would be the last meeting of the committee at which he would be present. On the motion of Mr. Speirs, seconded by Mr. Fraser, the meeting unanimously agreed to record in the minutes of the committee their deep indebtedness to Mr. Neilson for the valuable services which he had rendered to the County as chairman of the Finance Committee and their high appreciation of the services rendered by him generally, and their sincere regret at the termination of his connection with the County Council.

It was also agreed that an excerpt from the minutes of the committee containing this resolution be sent to Mr. Neilson.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COURT HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT LANARK.

At LANARK, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 10th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee appointed by the Committee of the County Council of Lanark with reference to the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark. 10th November, 1913.

Present—

JAMES H. FENTON. | Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart.

Colonel LOGAN.

Mr. JAMES C. HOPE VERE was also present.

Attending—

JOHN STEWART, Architect, Lanark.

Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 13th June last, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the resolution adopted by the County Council at their meeting on 9th October, 1913, approving of the alterations of the Court House, and remitting to this committee, with full power, to take and accept offers and have the work carried out, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland. *Remit from County Council.*

There were laid before the meeting offers which had been received in connection with (1) proposed erection of a house for the caretaker, and (2) alterations on the house presently occupied by the caretaker in order to provide additional safe accommodation for the Sheriff-Clerk. The Architect reported that he had checked the various offers, and he submitted a list thereof. *Offers for new house for caretaker, &c.*

The meeting, having considered the several offers, instructed the acceptance of the following, subject to the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, viz.:—

Mason Work—Messrs. M'Lehose & Son, ...	£214	1	8
Joiner Work—Messrs. Thaw & Jardine, ...	165	4	8
Plumber Work—Messrs. Mills & Wallace, ...	99	19	6
Slater Work—Mr. Thomas Lithgow,...	45	3	2
Plaster Work— do., ...	52	4	11½

Offers for painter work still to be accepted.

The Architect stated that he had not meantime asked for offers for the painter work.

Fair wages clause in contracts.

The meeting agreed that there should be incorporated in the above contracts the fair wages clause which had been adopted by the County Council.

Petition to Dean of Guild Court.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare the necessary petition for submission to the Dean of Guild Court, and, if need be, to arrange for the service of copies of the petition on interested parties.

Offer for steel doors, &c.

The Architect stated that he had received an offer, amounting to £116, from Mr. James Jack, Lanark, to supply and erect the steel doors, shutters, and shelving required in connection with the safe accommodation for the Sheriff-Clerk. The Clerk explained that the Board of Works had stipulated for steel doors being provided for the safes.

Remit to Clerk.

The meeting, however, having in view the expenditure which the provision of such doors would involve, and the purpose which the doors were intended to serve, agreed to remit to the Clerk to interview the Board of Works on the subject, with a view to getting their consent to the fitting of doors constructed of a material sufficiently substantial for the purpose, but of a less expensive character.

Drainage from Court Houses and County Buildings.

The Architect reported that the drainage pipe from the Court Houses and County Buildings and Fire Station was laid in the ground on which it was proposed to erect the new house for the caretaker, and he suggested that the pipe should be diverted. As relative thereto, he submitted an offer, amounting to £69 9s. 8d., which he had received from Messrs. Thomas Glaister & Co., Lanark, for carrying out the work. The Architect explained that the work of laying the new pipe would necessitate the lifting and relaying of a large portion of the causeway, but that the cost of this work was included in the above sum.

The meeting agreed to the Architect's suggestion, and instructed accordingly, and remitted to the Clerk to ascertain whether any portion of this amount might not be recovered from the Treasury.

Preservation of colours of 2nd Royal Lanark Rifles.

The Architect was instructed to procure a case for the preservation of the colours of the 2nd Royal Lanark Rifles, in order that they might be suitably displayed in the County Hall, Lanark.

Portraits in County Hall

The Architect reported that the work of repainting the buildings, &c., was proceeding rapidly, and that he expected the tradesmen would be finished in the course of a few weeks. He suggested, for the consideration of the committee, whether the portraits which presently hang in the County Hall might not be examined, with a view to having them touched up or revarnished, if necessary.

The meeting agreed, and remitted to the Clerk to have the portraits examined by a competent person, and, should it be necessary, after receiving a report, to have the work carried out.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

12th November, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 12th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Present—

William Barr.
W. W. Chapman.
Alexander Hamilton.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
James Prentice.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Chairman.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the Committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 10th September, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Tuberculosis Order. — Correspondence with Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed at the last meeting of the Committee, he had communicated with the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries on the points discussed by the Committee and the suggestions then made for an extension of the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, with a view to its being made more effective, and he submitted a copy of the communication addressed to the Board, on the subject, together with the Board's reply. (Appendices I. and II.)

Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk further stated that, having occasion to be in London recently on other business, he had had a meeting with the officials of the Board, when he had discussed with them the whole question and was informed that the Board were now waiting to hear the result of the operation of the Order in other districts in Scotland, as well as in England and Wales, and that they would then be better able to consider the views put forward by this Local Authority.

The meeting agreed to continue the matter in the hands of the Chairman and the Clerk.

Tuberculosis Order.—Report for September.

There was submitted a statement (Appendix III.) showing the number of animals dealt with under the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, during the month of September, and also the cost of compensation and administrative expenses, &c.

Communications from County Veterinary Inspector re animals detected at Wishaw Auction Mart.

There were laid before the meeting communications from the County Veterinary Inspector stating that on 24th and 28th ultimo, he had visited Wishaw Auction Mart, where special sales had been held, and that on both days he detected an animal to be suffering from Tuberculosis of the udder. The Clerk stated that in one case the animal belonged to Mr. John Murray, Noltlairs Farm, Chapelton, who had purchased it a few days previously from Thos. N. Reid, The Inn, Chapelton, and in the other case the animal belonged to John King, cattle dealer, Netherton Terrace, Wishaw, who had purchased it a few days previously from Robert Pate, Draffan Farm, Kirkmuirhill.

Agreed not to institute proceedings.

The meeting, after consideration, and after hearing a statement by the County Veterinary Inspector, agreed not to institute proceedings in either case, but instructed the Clerk to communicate with the owners and the sellers directing their attention to the provisions of the Tuberculosis Order, and particularly to Article 2, which imposes upon the owner or person in charge of an animal affected with Tuberculosis an obligation to notify the fact to the Local Authority, and warning them against any repetition of the offence.

Orders by Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

There was submitted to the meeting the following Orders by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, viz:—

(1) Horses (Importation and Transit) Order of 1913,
(2) Importation (Raw Tongues) Amendment Order, 1913,
(3) Foreign Hay and Straw (Amendment) Order, 1913,

and the Clerk briefly explained the purport of same.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire), Order 1907.—Number of notifications.

The Clerk reported that since the date of last meeting, 39 cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and that of these, two had been certified to be cases of Anthrax, the particulars of these two cases being as follows, viz:—

Anthrax.

John Watson, Colinhill Farm, Strathaven.—The animal affected in this case was a six years old Ayrshire bull, which was bred on the premises, and which died on 14th October. The only artificial feeding stuff was Bibby's cake, and as none of the other animals on the premises received similar feeding to that of the bull, it is probable that the cake was infective.

William F. Frame, Craigthornhill, Glasford.—In this case the animal affected was a 3½ years old Ayrshire cow, which was bred on the premises, and which died on 6th November. Eclipse cake was the only artificial feeding given to the stock on the premises, and it is probable that the cake may have been infective.

The Clerk stated that in both cases the diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board, that the carcases had been destroyed and the usual precautionary measures taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

The restrictions in the former case were withdrawn on 24th October, 1913.

Glanders.—Suspected case.

The Clerk stated that two suspected cases of Glanders had been reported at—

(1) Russell Street, Wishaw (James Brown), and
(2) Cambusnethan House, Wishaw (Alexander Campbell),

but that the County Veterinary Inspector's examination in both cases gave negative results.

Swine Fever.—Premises declared infected places.

The Clerk stated that the following premises had, since the date of last meeting, been declared Swine Fever Infected Places under the Swine Fever Order, viz.:—

(1) Kilnhills Cottage, Lesmahagow (John Frater);
(2) Southholm, Pettinain (William Adamson);
(3) Greenshields House Farm, Carnwath (Mrs. Carmichael);
(4) Gartsherrie Home Farm, Coatbridge (Ronald S. H. S. R. Colt);
(5) Watstown Farm, Stonehouse (Wm. Muter and Archd. Steele);
(6) Orbiston Dairy, Crossgates, Bellshill (John Paton);
(7) Cleugh Farm, Crawfordjohn (John Cunningham);
(8) Newsteadings Farm, Lanark (Thomas Stewart);
(9) Riccarjohnstone Farm, Holytown (David Marshall);
(10) Eddlewood Farm, Hamilton (John Hastie);
(11) Gartloch Asylum Farm, Gartcosh (Alex. Bankier);

and that the Board had since withdrawn the restrictions in each case with the exception of the two last named.

Wart Disease of potatoes at Foxley Farm, Tollcross.

With reference to the outbreak of Wart Disease of potatoes at Foxley Farm, Tollcross, there was submitted to the meeting, a communication of date 10th September, 1913, from the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, intimating that one of their Inspectors had visited Foxley Farm, on 5th September, and, after examination, had served notices under the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland), Order, 1913, with respect to the gardens of ploughmen employed thereon. The Board stated that no disease was found in the fields at Foxley Farm.

Wart Disease of Potatoes.—Communication from County Council of Fife.

The Clerk submitted a communication, of date 23rd October, 1913, from the County Clerk of Fife, intimating that the County Council of Fife have had under consideration the advisability of having some restrictions imposed on the importation of potatoes from countries where wart disease is known to exist, and enquiring whether this Committee would be willing to send a delegate, who, along with delegates from other Counties, might confer with the President of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland on the subject.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to accede to the request of the County Council of Fife, and appointed the Chairman of the Committee to represent this County Council on any deputation that might be arranged with the Board of Agriculture for Scotland on the subject.

Parasitic Mange.—Case of Alexander Forbes, Longriggend.—Communication from J.P. Fiscal.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter which he had received from the J.P. Fiscal at Airdrie, with regard to the case of Alexander Forbes, carriage hirer, Longriggend, against whom information had been lodged for an alleged contravention of the Parasitic Mange Order of 1911, in respect of his having failed to notify the existence of the disease on his premises.

The Clerk having stated that there seemed to be some misapprehension with regard to the particular animal involved in the case, the meeting agreed to remit the matter to him.

Increase of salary to Assistant Veterinary Inspector.

The meeting having resumed consideration of the application by Mr. James F. Taylor, Assistant County Veterinary Inspector, for an increase of salary, agreed to increase his salary to £230 per annum, the increase to take effect as from and after 15th ultimo.

Contraventions

There were submitted police informations in the following cases, viz:—

(1) Poaching Prevention Act, 1862.—Charles M'Fadyen, 32 Stonelaw Road, Rutherglen.
(2) Sheep Dipping (Scotland and North of England) Order of 1907.—Edward M'Gillivray, West Parkhead Farm, Crossgates.
(3) Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order of 1908.—
  (i) Archibald Steele, Watstown Farm, Stonehouse.
  (ii) John Bell, pig dealer, Gilloch, Dumfries.

The Clerk, having explained the circumstances of these cases, the meeting instructed him to send the information in the first case to the Fiscal, with a view to proceedings being taken, and to communicate with the other accused warning them against any repetition of the offences committed by them.

Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order.—Consideration continued.

The Clerk having submitted a copy of the Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order of 1911, and having explained that the Order was renewable for a further period of three years as from 1st March, 1914, the meeting agreed to continue consideration of it, and meantime instructed the Clerk to have the Order printed and to send a copy to each member prior to the next meeting of the Committee.

APPENDIX I.

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 26th September, 1913.

"The Secretary,
"Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,
"4 Whitehall Place, S.W.

"SIR,

"TUBERCULOSIS ORDER, 1913.

"The Executive Committee of this Local Authority have again had under consideration the results of the operation of this Order within this County, and I am to transmit to the Board for their information the accompanying statements shewing the number of animals dealt with during the months of May, June, July, and August; the results of preliminary and post-mortem examinations; the cost of compensation, and administrative expenses, etc.

"The figures contained in the statements may not exactly correspond to the figures contained in the official returns to the Board, as at the date when the statement was prepared complete data were not available. The statements, however, may be taken as fairly representing the results of the operation of the Order within the County during the four months named.

"Since the interview which my Local Authority had with the Board on the subject of the Order on 27th June last, no practical difficulty has been experienced in carrying out its provisions.

"The experience gained, however, has emphasised the need for an early extension of the scope of the Order, and I am directed to express the opinion of my Local Authority that until the Order is extended to include all animals that are actively capable of disseminating disease it cannot be regarded as satisfactory.

"There have been notified to this Local Authority during the past two or three months numerous cases of animals which, on examination, were found to be suffering from the disease in a form capable of transmitting infection to others, but for the reason that the veterinary inspector was unable to certify them to be suffering from 'tuberculosis with emaciation,' they could not be dealt with. The result is that such animals are allowed to mix with others as if they were unaffected, and the only course which is open to the Local Authority to adopt in such cases is to keep the animals under observation so far as possible until they have become so reduced in condition as to bring them within the scope of the Order. The information in regard to many of the cases referred to came from private veterinary surgeons, and, notwithstanding the explanations made to them of the effect of the Order, they seem to regard the failure on the part of the Local Authority to deal with well marked cases of disease notified to them as likely to place them in an unfavourable light in the eyes of their clients. Consequently, there is evidence of growing indifference in the attitude of veterinary surgeons, and also of stock owners towards the operation of the Order.

"My Local Authority regard this defect of the Order as a most serious one, and they fear that any good effect resulting from their administration of the Order must to a great extent be counteracted by the dissemination of disease through the medium of such animals as have been referred to.

"The Board are no doubt fully alive to this aspect of the question, and my Local Authority do not doubt that the matter is receiving their careful consideration, but I am desired to convey to the Board their view as to the urgency for an amendment of the Order in the direction indicated.

"If the experience of this Local Authority may be taken as a criterion of the experience of Local Authorities generally throughout the country, the funds at the disposal of the Board would appear to be more than ample to meet the additional compensation which the inclusion of such cases within the scope of the Order would involve.

"While the money expended by this Local Authority in connection with the administration of the Order is more than six times the amount recoverable from the Treasury, they do not think it ill spent if their administration of the Order results in any appreciable diminution of cases of tuberculosis either in man or in bovine animals. At the same time they are of opinion that in this matter Local Authorities have a right to look to the Government for substantial aid in meeting the additional expenditure which an efficient administration of the Order entails.

"According to officials returns the number of animals dealt with under the Order during the first four months of its operation is as follows:—

May, ...	568
June, ...	641
July, ...	529
August, ...	465
making a total of	2203

"Assuming that the number of animals that will fall to be dealt with during the remaining portion of the first year's operation of the Order (the number will be at the same rate as in the first four months), the number for the whole year would be 6,609, and applying the average cost to the Treasury in the case of the animals slaughtered by this local authority at £1 per head, the total sum requiring to be paid by the Treasury would be only £6,609.

"It may, however, be that the circumstances in this County are more favourable to an economical working of the Order, so far as cost to the Treasury is concerned, than in the majority of districts; but even allowing that the payment by the Treasury in respect of compensation amounted to £20,000 during the first year, there would still be left an available balance of £40,000.

"My Local Authority would, therefore, respectfully represent to the Board that the money at the Board's disposal is not only sufficient to meet the increased cost of compensation which an extension of the Order as suggested would involve, but is sufficient to enable the Board to make an increased grant to Local Authorities.

"My Local Authority do not wish at this stage to discuss the question as to the advisability of altering the basis upon which the Treasury Grant is at the present time distributed amongst Local Authorities, but they desire to take this opportunity of expressing the hope that an assurance will be given that the whole of the £60,000 promised by the Treasury shall, as originally intended, be expended for the purposes of the Order, and that any balance remaining over at the end of the first year will not go to reduce the sums already promised by the Treasury for the purposes of the Order in future years.

"I am,

"SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

"THOS. MUNRO,

"*County Clerk.*"

APPENDIX II.

"Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.
"4 Whitehall Place, London, S.W.,
"9th October, 1913.

"SIR,

"No. A. 7833/1913.

"I am directed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to refer to your letter of the 26th ultimo, in which your Local Authority urge an early extension of the scope of the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, and I am to say, for the information of your Local Authority, that, whilst the Board have in view the reconsideration of the requirements of the Order in the light of experience gained from its practical administration, the time has not yet arrived at which any satisfactory review of the position could be undertaken, or any authoritative estimate made as regards the expenditure likely to be incurred thereunder. The Order has only been in operation for five months, and a number of Local Authorities—in Scotland especially—did not take steps to put it into operation until some time after the 1st May.

"The Board would, nevertheless, be glad to have put before them more precisely the views of your Local Authority as to the manner in which the Order might be amended in the direction indicated, and would, in this connection, enquire whether your Local Authority are in a position to estimate the number of animals which would have been added to those which came within the provisions of the Order relating to slaughter in their district during the period referred to in your letter, namely, May, June, July, and August, if those provisions had included within their scope all animals which could be shown, by methods exclusive of the inoculation test, to be excreting tubercle bacilli in the sputum or in the fæces, or from the genital organs.

"With regard to the amount of the contribution from the Imperial Exchequer towards the cost of carrying out the Order, I am to point out that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have not (as appears to be assumed in your letter) set aside any specific sum to be expended annually in connection with the Order, but have undertaken to repay one-half of the net cost of compensation expended by Local Authorities thereunder. The Board have estimated that His Majesty's Treasury might be called upon thus to contribute to compensation at the rate of £60,000 per annum during the first year or two of the operation of the Order, but it may of course be found that the total amount actually required will be much less than the sum estimated.

"I am,

"SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) "E. J. CHENEY,
"*Assistant Secretary.*"

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1913.

STATEMENT showing number of Animals dealt with during month of September, 1913—Results of Examinations; Cost of Compensation and Administrative Expenses, &c.

NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED AND RESULTS OF EXAMINATIONS.

	Number of Cases.	Died or killed by Owner during Investigation.	Results of Examinations.	
			Negative.	Positive.
Total, - -	23 (25 animals).	Nil	14	11

COST OF COMPENSATION—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—AND NET COST TO LOCAL AUTHORITY.

(A) POSITIVE CASES.

Number of Animals slaughtered.	Compensation payable to Owner.	Salvage, less Cost of removal of Animals	Net Cost of Compensation.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors, Notification Fees, &c.	Total.
11	£34 5 0	£16 17 4	£17 7 8	£4 10 5	£21 18 1

(B) NEGATIVE CASES.

Number of Animals.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors and Notification Fees, &c.	
14	£5 16 7	5 16 7

Salary of additional Veterinary Inspector (1 month), ...	16 13 4
Cost of additional clerical assistance (1 month), ...	5 8 4
	£49 16 4
Deduct half of net cost of compensation recoverable from Treasury (£17 7s. 8d.), ...	8 13 10
Net Cost to Local Authority, ...	£41 2 6

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 12th November, 1913, being a meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. — 12th November, 1913.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
Alexander Hamilton.
Colonel Logan.
James T. Macdonald.
William Neilson.
James C. Pollok.
William Speirs.
William Sym.

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.

Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st October, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was submitted a report (Appendix) by the Inspectors under the Shops Act, for the month of September, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. — *Shops Act. — Inspectors' report for September.*

There were laid before the meeting applications by the following occupiers of registered places for public refreshment for withdrawal of registration, viz.: — *Refreshment Shop By-laws.—Applications for withdrawal of registration.*

Name of Applicant.	Situation of Premises.
Martha M'Lean, ...	7 Carfin Square, Carfin, Motherwell.
Jessie N. Wilson, ...	44d Bute Street, Whifflet.
Neil Wood, ...	15 Miller Street, Larkhall.
Isabella Hannah, ...	94 Auchinairn Road, Bishopbriggs.

The Clerk having explained that, after due enquiry, he was satisfied as to the *bona fide* nature of the requests, the meeting authorised him to cancel the entries in his Register relating to the premises in question. — *Requests granted.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting an application, by the Ancient Order of Hibernians' Society (Division No. 26, Uddingston), for a special permit to enable the Royal Hotel Hall, Uddingston, the same being unregistered premises, to be used as a place for public refreshment after the hour of 8 o'clock p.m. on Friday, 21st current, on the occasion of a special entertainment to be held therein. — *Application for Special Permit in respect of the Royal Hotel Hall, Uddingston.*

Permit to be granted in name of proprietor of hall.

The meeting having been reminded that Section 2 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, made provision for the granting of the permission asked for, the Clerk was authorised to accede to the request, the permit to be in name of the proprietor of the Hall.

Result of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, two prosecutions had been instituted for contraventions of the Refreshment By-laws, and convictions obtained, a fine of £4 being imposed in the one case, while in the other the accused was admonished.

Contravention of by-laws.—Proceedings to be instituted against Georgina Waddell.

An information against Georgina Waddell, residing at Springhill, Stane, Parish of Cambusnethan, for having used unregistered premises, situated at same address, as a place for public refreshment after the hour of 8 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, 18th October, having been submitted, the Clerk was instructed to transmit it to the Fiscal, with a view to proceedings being instituted.

Shops Act, 1912.—Requests for exemption from provisions relative to weekly half-holiday.

The Clerk submitted applications by—

(1) Thomas Wotherspoon, on behalf of the stationers in the Baillieston District; and

(2) D. Jardine, tailor, Crawford;

for exemption from the provisions of Section 4 of the Shops Act, 1912, relating to the weekly half-holiday.

Committee's decision.

In regard to the application by the Baillieston stationers, the meeting did not deem it expedient to make an Exemption Order with special reference to the stationers in that district, but indicated that if they had reason to believe that a majority of those engaged in such business throughout the whole County were in favour of being exempted from the provisions of the Act with respect to a weekly half-holiday, they would carefully consider the matter, and the Clerk was instructed to reply accordingly.

The meeting could not see their way to accede to the second request.

Livingstone Centenary Memorial.—Arrangements to be made for paying over amount of fund.

Under reference to the Livingstone Centenary Memorial, the Clerk stated that the subscriptions intimated amounted to £344 0s. 4d., from which there would fall to be deducted expenses incurred in connection with advertising, &c., and the meeting remitted it to him to arrange for a meeting of the subcommittee in charge of the matter to see that the sum collected, after deduction of cost of advertising, &c., was paid over to the managers of the Blantyre Hospital, and appropriately applied.

By-laws as to procession of bands, &c.—Applications for Special Permits.

There were submitted to the meeting applications, on behalf of the following bands, for special permits under the by-laws regulating the assembling or procession of bands, &c., viz.:—

(1) Cleland Silver Band; and

(2) Rutherglen Excelsior Temperance Prize Silver Band.

Matter remitted to Clerk and Chief Constable with powers.

The meeting remitted these applications to the Clerk, along with the Chief Constable, with power to grant permits as they might consider advisable.

Internal arrangements of refreshment shops.

Under reference to the by-laws regulating registered places for public refreshment, the Clerk submitted a number of sketches showing certain premises in the County which had been altered so as to provide for one part being used as a registered refreshment shop under the by-laws, and the other as an unregistered shop, and drew attention to certain means of connection which existed between the registered and unregistered parts, as shown on the sketches.

Matter continued.

The Clerk having stated that this matter was one which might appropriately be discussed at the proposed conference with the Burghs, the date of which had been postponed owing to the Election, the meeting continued it for further consideration.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Alterations at Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the licensee of the Rink Picture Theatre, Cambuslang, had now carried out, to the satisfaction of the Engineer, the alterations required by the committee, all as detailed in the minutes of last meeting.

Public Hall, East Kilbride.

The Clerk reported that, on 20th October, he had received an application from Mr. William M'Donald, Coatbridge, for a licence for the Public Hall, East Kilbride. As it was desired to commence the entertainments immediately, he had consulted with the Engineer, and in view of the fact that the doors of the hall had been altered to open outwards, and a light placed at the emergency exit, as previously required by the committee, he had granted an interim licence until the application had been dealt with by the committee. A report by the Police was also read, stating that the entertainments were being satisfactorily conducted.

The meeting approved, and authorised the issue of a licence for one year. They were also of opinion that, in the circumstances, it was unnecessary for securing safety that the enclosure should be placed outside the auditorium, and accordingly decided that number 5 (2) of the regulations of the Secretary for Scotland should not apply to that extent.

Public Hall, Uddingston.

There was laid before the meeting an application by Mr. John George Sewell, writer, Glasgow, Secretary to the Uddingston Public Hall Company, Limited, for a licence under the Cinematograph Act in respect of the Public Hall, Uddingston. A letter was also submitted from Mr. D. W. Hiddleston, writer, Hamilton, dated 10th current, confirming the arrangement made with the Engineer for the improvement of the exits and the enclosure at the Hall.

The meeting, after considering the report by the Engineer, agreed to grant a licence, on condition that the alterations detailed in Mr. Hiddleston's letter were carried out without delay.

Renewal of licences.

The Clerk intimated that satisfactory reports having been received from the Police, he had, on 14th October, renewed the licence of Mr. George Pinder for a moveable structure for one year, and on 30th October had transferred the licence previously held by Mr. John Lindsay in respect of the Hall at Bothwell Haugh to Mr. John Coates, and also renewed it for one year. The meeting approved.

The following applications for renewal of licences were submitted, viz.:—

Applicant.	Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
Thomas Forsyth, Coalburn, ...	Victoria Hall, Coalburn,	30th Nov., 1913.
W. & J. C. Pollok, Hamilton, for E. H. Bostock, Glasgow,	Picture House, Blantyre,	5th Dec., 1913.
James Sneddon, C.A., Hamilton, for the Shotts Picture House, Limited,	Picture House, Shotts, ...	8th Dec., 1913.
Richard Vincent Singleton, Glasgow,	Livingstone Hall, Blantyre,	9th Dec., 1913

Satisfactory reports having been read from the Police, the meeting agreed to renew the licences for one year.

Intimations of entertainments.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, he had received the following intimations of entertainments in moveable structures within the County, viz.:—

Walter Wilmot, at	Bellshill,	on 3rd October, 1913.	
Do.,	Cleland,	27th	do.
George Green,	Uddingston,	10th	do.
Do.,	New Stevenston,	29th	do.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Act and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1913.

SHOPS ACTS.

During the month inspections were made in 23 localities, and 164 shops visited, and 64 contraventions detected (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Advertising Agent,	1	Hatters and Hosiers,	2
Bakers,	5	Ironmongers,	3
Boot and Shoemakers,	5	Licensed Hawkers,	3
Butchers,	2	Pawnbroker,	1
Confectioners,	6	Painters,	2
Dairykeepers,	18	Restaurateurs,	2
Drapers,	9	Stationers and Newsagents,	7
Dressmaker,	1	Tailors and Clothiers,	3
Fishmongers,	2	Watchmakers,	2
Fruiterers,	4	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	12
Grocers,	25	Mixed Shops,	45
Hairdressers,	4		

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz. :—

Assistants' weekly half-holiday,	14
Shops' weekly half-holiday,	8
Employment of young persons,	10
Mixed shops,	33

Nineteen localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, when the following contraventions were detected, viz. :—

Failure to close,	3
Failure to give assistants weekly half-holiday,	2
Street trading,	1
Supplying non-exempted goods,	7
Failure to provide seats for female assistants,	1
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	27

Under the General Closing Order and the Barbers and Hairdressers' Order, an inspection was made at Cambuslang on a Saturday evening. It was found that the closing of the shops affected was very punctually carried out.

Twenty-two visits were made to mixed shops, open after 10 p.m. for the sale of exempted goods, and the following contraventions detected, viz. :—

Failure to exhibit the required notices,	4

Verbal cautions were given to the offenders in all the contraventions detected.

Complaints.

Anonymous communications were received complaining of shop assistants being employed in Co-operative Societies' shops on the weekly half-holiday. In one case, on inspection and inquiry, it was found that the shop was closed, but that the assistants were employed in stocktaking. Their half-holiday had been temporarily changed to Tuesday for this purpose, and the change had been notified on the previous Saturday, in accordance with the Act. There was, therefore, no cause for complaint. In another case the shops were also found closed, but four assistants were found working inside. It was explained to the inspector that they were working of their own accord after stock-taking. The manager of the Society was verbally cautioned.

A communication from the Bellshill Barbers' Association, regarding the non-observance of the Wednesday weekly half-holiday by certain barbers, was received and inquired into. No cause for complaint was detected, but further inspection will be made.

A verbal complaint was made by a local shopkeeper, regarding the sale of groceries by a provision van from Tollcross on the weekly half-holiday. The owner of the provision van has been verbally warned by the inspectors, and, should he persist in street trading on the weekly half-holiday, information will be lodged with a view to legal proceedings being instituted against him.

By-Laws regulating Places for Public Refreshments.

Thirteen inspections were made of ice-cream shops and other refreshment places in Cambuslang, Larkhall, Bellshill, and Carmyle, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the premises complied with the requirements of the By-laws. Two cases of non-compliance with the By-laws were detected, viz., the existence of a separate sitting-room in one case, and direct connection, by means of a door between registered premises and a place partitioned off for "sales off the premises," in the other. The contraventions have been reported to the County Clerk.

Table showing Inspections to Localities, Visits to Shops, and Contraventions detected.

Localities.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops.	Contraventions.							
			Failure to close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street trading by Van, &c. on Half-holiday.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Acts.
Auchentibber,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Auchenairn,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...
Bellshill,	1	9	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1
Blackwood,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Blantyre,	1	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Cambuslang,	3	34	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	6
Carmyle,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Carnwath,	1	21	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	12
Chapelhall,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hallside,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
High Blantyre,	2	10	1	...	1	...	...	...	..	2
Kirkmuirhill,	1	3	..	...	...	2	...	...	...	2
Larkhall,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Law,	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Lesmahagow,	3	5	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	1
Morningside,	1	8	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Mossend,	1	11	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
Newmains,	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Newton,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Omoa,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tollcross,	2	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Uddingston,	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Westburn,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	29	164	3	7	1	2	...	4	...	47

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 14*th October*, 1913.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 19th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed in connection with the National Insurance Act, 1911. — 19th November, 1913.

Present—

George Fraser.	William Speirs.
Robert Lambie.	Colonel King Stewart.
William Neilson.	James Tonner.

Mr. Lambie in the chair. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 6th August, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were read by the Clerk and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting the following communication from the Insurance Commissioners, viz.:— — *Communication from Insurance Commissioners.*

"National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland),
" 83 Princes Street,
" Edinburgh, 8th October, 1913.

" Sir,

" SANATORIUM BENEFIT.

" I am directed by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners to refer to the terms of Section 17 (2) of the National Insurance Act, which provides that if in any year the amount available for defraying the expenses of Sanatorium Benefit is insufficient to meet the estimated expenditure on Sanatorium Benefit for insured persons and their dependants, an Insurance Committee may, through the Insurance Commissioners, transmit to the Treasury and the Council of the County or Burgh an account showing the estimated expenditure for the purpose, and the amount of the sums available for defraying the expenses of Sanatorium Benefit, and the Treasury and Council may, if they think fit, sanction such expenditure.

" The Commissioners have received from the Insurance Committee for the County of Lanark the accompanying account, showing the estimated expenditure on Sanatorium Benefit for insured persons and dependants for the year commencing 13th January, 1914, and, in transmitting the account to be placed before the County Council, I have to request that you will be good enough to inform me whether the County Council on its part is prepared to sanction the expenditure.

"It will be observed that, in the event of the County Council sanctioning such expenditure, the Council will be liable, under the provisions of Sub-section (3) of the section referred to above as applied to Scotland by Section 80 (12), to make good out of the general purposes rate one-half of any sums so sanctioned by them and expended by the Insurance Committee on Sanatorium Benefit for insured persons and their dependants in the course of the year in excess of the amount available for defraying the expenses of the Committee on Sanatorium Benefit.

"I may add that the Commissioners are informed that if the Local Authority agrees to pay one-half of any deficit incurred by an Insurance Committee in providing sanatorium treatment for insured persons and their dependants, the Treasury are prepared to find the remaining half.

"I am, SIR,

"Your obedient Servant,

"H. L. F. FRASER,
"*Assistant Secretary.*

COUNTY OF LANARK INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

Estimate of expenditure to be incurred by the Committee on Sanatorium Benefit for insured persons and dependants of insured persons during the year, from 15th January, 1914, to 15th January, 1915, and amount available to the Committee for defraying such expenditure :—

I. Estimated expenditure by the Committee on Sanatorium Benefit—	
Domiciliary treatment of insured persons under contracts with the medical practitioners on the panel for the county, ...	£2,100
Salary of medical adviser of the Committee, share of salary of tuberculosis officers, and expenses of administration of sanatorium benefit.	500
Institutional treatment of insured persons—60 beds at 30s., ...	4,680
Domiciliary treatment of insured persons other than medical attendance, ...	750
Institutional and domiciliary treatment of dependants of insured persons,...	5,680
	£13,710
I. Amount available to the Committee under Section 16 (2) (*a*) of the Act for defraying above expenses—	
1s. 3d. per head for 84,000 insured persons, ...	5,250
	£8,460

(Sgd.) W. M. MARSHALL,
Clerk and Treasurer,
County of Lanark Insurance Committee.

Consideration continued.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed to continue the matter for further consideration.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT.

26th November, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 26th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed in connection with the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Present—

George Fraser.	D. Kinloch Michie.
Robert Lambie.	William Speirs.

Colonel King Stewart.

Chairman.

Colonel King Stewart, chairman of the Committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 19th November, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted were approved of and signed.

Communication from Insurance Commissioners.—Remit to Committee.

The Clerk having again laid before the meeting the communication from the National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland), as contained in the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, it was thought that it might facilitate consideration of the subject were an interview arranged with the Insurance Commissioners and with the Local Government Board. With this end in view, the Clerk was instructed to communicate with both Authorities, and the following members were appointed to represent this Committee in the event of an interview being arranged, viz:—

George Fraser,	Wm. Speirs,
Robert Lambie,	Colonel King Stewart,

James C. Hope Vere.

along with the County Medical Officer and the County Clerk.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 19th November, 1913, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 19th November, 1913.

Present—

JAMES ANDERSON.
WILLIAM BARR.
JAMES CAMERON.
W. W. CHAPMAN.
WILLIAM LOVE.
WILLIAM NEILSON.
ROBERT SHARP.

Mr. Neilson in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Notice calling meeting.*

[SPECIAL CIRCULAR.]

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 13th November, 1913.

"SIR,

"COUNTY ROAD BOARD.

"I am to request your attendance at a Meeting of this Board to be held in the County Buildings, Glasgow, on Wednesday next, 19th current, at 2·45 o'clock p.m., on the undernoted business.

"Your obedient Servant,

"THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*

"BUSINESS.

"Resolutions of District Committee of Middle Ward relating to—

"(1) Construction of new highway at Glenboig, in the Parish of New Monkland, £3,300;

"(2) Widening and improvement of Park Highway near Auchintibber, in the Parish of Blantyre, £34;

"(3) Widening and improvement of Carmyle Avenue Highway, at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland, £75; and

"(4) Widening and improvement of Overton Highway, at Hallside, in the Parish of Cambuslang, £100.

"Memorandum as to Heavy Motor Cars.

"Any other competent business."

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the County Road Board, of date 3rd September, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Proposed new Highway at Glenboig.

The Clerk submitted a communication, of date 2nd October, 1913, which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, containing a recommendation by the District Committee relating to the construction of a proposed new highway at Glenboig. He also submitted excerpts from minutes of the District Committee, and plan showing the situation of the proposed new highway.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed, subject to the approval of the County Council, to construct a new highway at Glenboig in the Parish of New Monkland, all as set forth in the minutes, and as delineated upon the plan submitted, at an estimated cost of £3,300, the cost thereof to be raised by loan repayable within a period of 30 years, all subject to the consent of the Standing Joint Committee.

Road improvements.

On the recommendation of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, the meeting, subject to the approval of the County Council, approved of the following road improvements, viz.:—

(1) Widening and improvement of Carmyle Avenue Highway at Carmyle, at an estimated cost of £75;

(2) Widening and improvement of Overton Highway at Hallside, at an estimated cost of £100; and

(3) Widening and improvement of Park Highway near Auchintibber, in the Parish of Blantyre, at an estimated cost of £34.

Heavy motor car traffic.

The Clerk laid before the meeting draft of a memorandum which he had prepared on the law applicable to heavy motor cars, and stated that he hoped shortly to send a copy of it to each member of the Board. The memorandum print (Appendix I.) to this minute.

Use of studs on wheels of traction engines. — Communication from Scottish Chamber of Agriculture.

There was submitted a letter, of date 13th instant, from the Secretary of the Scottish Chamber of Agriculture, Edinburgh, transmitting copy minute of proceedings at a Conference between the Directors of that Chamber and representatives of County Councils with regard to the use of studs in the wheels of traction engines whilst drawing threshing machines along the Highways during frosty weather.

The Clerk stated that the minutes of Conference bore the following resolution, which had been adopted, viz.:—

"That, in the interest of the agricultural industry, it ought to be permissible to affix studs to traction engines to enable them to draw threshing machines along the Highways during frosty weather, and that the Secretary for Scotland should be asked to consider the strong views held by agriculturists on the subject in order that either the Secretary for Scotland or County Councils may be empowered to authorise the use of studs under proper conditions."

The meeting agreed that as the matter was one which affected the maintenance of the Highways a copy of the communication from the Scottish Chamber of Agriculture should be transmitted to the several District Committees in order to ascertain their views on the subject.

Motor car accidents in County.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting the Clerk submitted a statement (Appendix II.) which had been prepared by the Chief Constable showing the number of accidents caused by motor cars within the County during the past six months.

The meeting agreed to continue the matter for further consideration.

Grants from Road Board.

The Clerk reported that since the last meeting of the Board, additional grants, amounting in all to £1,010 had been received from the Secretary of the Road Board in respect of road improvements in the Middle Ward of the County.

Glasgow Corporation Provisional Order. —Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the Corporation of Glasgow were this session promoting a Provisional Order to obtain powers for further extensions of the tramway system and for the running of motor buses, and stated that certain of the extensions would be situated within the Middle and Lower Wards of the County. He submitted an advance print of the draft Order which had been sent to him by the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, and reported that he had communicated the provisions of the draft Order so far as affecting the interests of the Middle and Lower Wards to the respective District Clerks, with the object of ascertaining the views of the District Committee and securing satisfactory protective clauses conserving the interests of the County Council and District Committees.

As relative to the same matter, the Clerk reminded the meeting that a Conference had taken place on 30th July, 1913, between representatives of the Counties of Dunbarton, Lanark, and Renfrew, and he indicated certain general principles to which the Conference had agreed as set forth in the minutes of the Conference which had been submitted to and approved of at the last meeting of the Council.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MEMORANDUM ON THE LAW APPLICABLE TO HEAVY MOTOR CARS.

It will be generally admitted by those who have experience of traffic that the regulations as to the speed of heavy motor cars are frequently contravened. In view of the extent to which these vehicles are now being used, and their probable increasing use in the future, and to the disorganisation of ordinary road traffic and the natural disturbance and alarm which inconsiderate driving of them give rise to, it is a matter of importance that, in the interest of the comfort and safety of the community they should be made to conform to the conditions prescribed for their use. It must not be overlooked that no reason can ever be adduced for excessive speed on their part except that of commercial gain. In the latter connection it is to be observed that the owners of heavy motor cars get great privileges and advantages in respect of the free use of the roads, and it is, therefore, only reasonable that they should not subject the community to unnecessary danger, inconvenience, or even apprehension.

In another connection, that is the increased cost of the up-keep of roads, to which heavy motor traffic is one of the main contributing causes, it is to be feared that the statutory provisions and relative Regulations, which have been conceived with the object, so far as is compatible with the use of the roads by these vehicles, of minimising the damage which their use necessarily causes, are not generally known, or if known, are not complied with.

It is, therefore, thought that a summary of these statutory provisions and Regulations may be found useful in directing attention to the whole question, and this Memorandum has accordingly been prepared.

The Statutory provisions relating to motor vehicles, and the Regulations made thereunder by the Secretary for Scotland, are, however, so complicated and full of detail that it is difficult to give in reasonably brief compass an accurate statement of the law as it at present exists. The synopsis of the main provisions of the Statutes and Regulations appended hereto may, however, be found useful.

For a proper understanding of the law relating to heavy motor cars, an acquaintance with the provisions of the Motor Car Acts generally and the Regulations made thereunder is necessary, as these Acts and Regulations are, to a certain extent, applicable to heavy motor cars, the principle followed by the Secretary for Scotland in framing Regulations for Motor Vehicles having been first to lay down

rules applicable to motor cars generally, and, secondly, to make rules applicable particularly to the type of motor car above a certain weight called a " heavy motor car," which so far as not expressly varying the former rules are to be read along with them in their application to " heavy motor cars."

Accordingly I have endeavoured in the Notes appended hereto to give a brief statement of the law relating in the first case to motor cars generally, and in the second place to heavy motor cars in particular.

A perusal of the Statutes and Regulations relating to this subject prompts one to suggest the great need for a codifying set of Regulations, with the object of making the present enactments and Regulations more easily understood.

As will be seen from the synopsis appended, for the purposes of the present Memorandum the important points in the Regulations are the provisions which they contain for regulating the weight of heavy motor cars and trailers, the width of the tyres on their wheels, and the speed at which they may be driven, weight, width of tyres, and speed being the chief factors to be considered in dealing with the question of the wear of roads due to heavy motor traffic.

It should, perhaps, be pointed out that the definition of the term " Light Locomotive," quoted in the synopsis, on which the definition of the terms " Motor Car " and " Heavy Motor Car " are based, prevents a " Motor Car or Heavy Motor Car " from drawing more than one trailer, and also prohibits the emission by a " Motor Car " or " Heavy Motor Car " of smoke or visible vapour, except from any temporary or accidental cause. A heavy motor car used as a stage carriage or otherwise for the conveyance of passengers for gain or hire is by the Heavy Motor Car Order, 1905 (Article XI.), prohibited from drawing a trailer at all.

Weight.—Under the Regulations contained in the Heavy Motor Car Order, 1905, the weight of a heavy motor car or trailer is regarded from two points of view—(1) from the point of view of the heavy motor car or trailer being unladen, and (2) from the point of view of these vehicles when laden.

Heavy Motor Car or Trailer unladen.—A heavy motor car is defined in the Heavy Motor Car Order, 1905 (Article II.), as a motor car exceeding two tons in weight unladen. Under Article III. of that Order the maximum weight of a heavy motor car unladen must not exceed 5 tons. If drawing an unladen trailer, the combined weight of the heavy motor car unladen and of the unladen trailer must not exceed $6\frac{1}{2}$ tons. In calculating these weights there is to be left out of account the weight of any water, fuel, or accumulators used for the purpose of propulsion.

Heavy Motor Car or Trailer, laden.—When dealing with the weight of these vehicles laden, a departure is made from the ordinary method of ascertaining weights, and instead of taking the weight of each vehicle as a whole a new basis is taken called " axle-weight " of

each axle, the "axle-weight" of any axle being defined by the Regulations as the aggregate weight transmitted to the surface of the road or other base whereon the heavy motor car or the trailer moves or rests by the several wheels attached to that axle when the heavy motor car or trailer is loaded. When a heavy motor car is registered, a declaration must be made as to the weight of the heavy motor car unladen and as to the axle-weight of each axle, and the weights so registered must be painted upon the right or off-side of the heavy motor car, The axle-weight so registered, which is known as "registered axle-weight," is not to be exceeded while the motor car is being used. Under the Regulations the registered axle-weight of an axle of a heavy motor car must not exceed 8 tons, and the sum of the registered axle-weights of all axles (that is the whole weight of the vehicle loaded) must not exceed 12 tons. In the case of a trailer no provision is made for registration, but there must be marked upon the right or off-side of the trailer the weight of the trailer unladen—which, as mentioned above, must not exceed $1\frac{1}{2}$ tons—and the axle-weight of each axle if the trailer exceeds one ton in weight. It is further provided that the axle-weight of an axle of a trailer shall not exceed four tons, and accordingly in the case of a trailer with two axles the maximum weight of the trailer would be 8 tons. That is to say, the maximum weight of a heavy motor car and trailer, both fully loaded, may not exceed 20 tons.

Width of Tyres.—In dealing with tyres a marked difference is made between the ordinary solid tyres and pneumatic tyres, or tyres made of a soft or elastic material. In the case of a pneumatic tyre, or tyre made of a soft or elastic material, it is assumed that the limitations of the materials composing the tyre will regulate the width and size of the tyre, and accordingly no restriction is imposed as to width or other dimensions of such tyres. In the case of the ordinary tyres it is provided that the minimum width of tyre for a heavy motor car shall be 5 inches, and for a trailer 3 inches. In calculating the width of tyres in so far as they may exceed the minimum widths specified there is introduced a new factor termed "unit of registered axle-weight." This factor is not a constant figure, but varies according to the diameter of the wheel and the rules set forth in the Regulations. A wheel 3 feet in diameter is taken as the standard, and it is provided that in the case of a heavy motor car with a wheel of 3 feet in diameter, the unit of registered axle-weight shall be $7\frac{1}{2}$ cwts. If the wheel exceeds 3 feet in diameter the unit is increased by an addition of weight in the proportion of 1 cwt. for every 12 inches by which the diameter is increased beyond 3 feet, and in the same proportion for any increase which is greater or less than 12 inches. If the wheel is less than 3 feet in diameter, there is deducted from the $7\frac{1}{2}$ cwts. 1 cwt. for every 6 inches by which the diameter is reduced below 3 feet, and in the same proportion for any reduction which is greater or less than 6 inches. The width of the tyre of a heavy motor car is then ascertained in any individual case by taking the number of half-inches, which is equal to the number of units of registered axle-weight

of the axle to which the wheel is attached. A practical example will illustrate the working of these rules. Assuming a heavy motor car with a registered axle-weight of 3 tons 15 cwts., and with wheels 3 feet in diameter the unit of registered axle-weight would be $7\frac{1}{2}$ cwts. The registered axle-weight of the axle would contain 10 such units, and accordingly the width of tyre would be 10 half-inches, or 5 inches. Assuming the registered axle-weight of a motor with wheels 3 feet in diameter were 6 tons 15 cwts., this would contain 18 units of $7\frac{1}{2}$ cwts. each, and the width of the tyre would be 9 inches. By a series of simple calculations the width of tyres can in each case be readily ascertained by taking the registered axle-weight painted upon a vehicle and measuring the diameter of the wheels attached to the axle.

In the case of a trailer the minimum width of tyre is 3 inches, and the factors are, instead of registered axle-weight, the axle-weight painted or marked upon the trailer and the diameter of the wheels. Thus, assuming the trailer to have wheels 3 feet in diameter, and the axle-weight marked on the trailer to be 3 tons 15 cwts., the axle-weight would contain 10 units, and the width of the tyre would be 5 inches.

Speed.—In arriving at the speed at which a heavy motor may be driven, both the preceding factors of weight and tyres have to be taken into account, and here again a difference is made according as the motor car has ordinary tyres or pneumatic tyres, or tyres made of a soft or elastic material.

Cars with pneumatic tyres, or tyres made of a soft or elastic material.—The speed of a heavy motor car fitted with such tyres must not exceed 12 miles an hour where the registered axle-weight of any axle does not exceed 6 tons, and 8 miles an hour where the registered axle-weight of any axle exceeds 6 tons. The expression " where the " registered axle-weight of any axle does not exceed 6 tons " formed the subject of judicial consideration in the recent case of Auld *v.* Pearson (High Court of Justiciary, 6th November, 1913), and was held to mean : " where the registered axle-weight of no axle exceeds 6 " tons."

Cars fitted with ordinary tyres.—The speed of a heavy motor car must not exceed 8 miles an hour, but if the weight of a heavy motor car, unladen, exceeds 3 tons, or if the registered axle-weight of any axle exceeds 6 tons, or if the heavy motor car draws a trailer, the speed is limited to 5 miles an hour. The restrictions as to speed of a heavy motor car drawing a trailer appear to apply whether the motor car is or is not fitted with pneumatic tyres or tyres of a soft or elastic material. The highest speed at which, in conformity with the Regulations, a heavy motor car may be driven without a trailer must be marked on some conspicuous part of the left or near side of the heavy motor car.

It is thus possible for an inspecting officer, by looking at the markings on a heavy motor car or trailer to ascertain at once what weight the car or trailer should carry, what width the tyre ought to

be, and at what speed the car or trailer should be allowed to travel. The speed is capable of verification by timing between two points as in the case of ordinary motor cars, but it is not possible to check, without resorting to actual weighing, whether a heavy motor car or trailer is overloaded. The Regulations put it in the power of an officer of the registering authority or other council having control of the highway to insist on the person driving or in charge taking a heavy motor car, with or without a trailer, to a weighing-machine for the purpose of checking the axle-weights. This right, however, is subject to the serious limitation that the heavy motor car must be found within a distance not exceeding half a mile by road from a public weighing-machine, or other weighing-machine which is conveniently accessible, and which belongs to or is subject to the control or may be used for any purpose of the registering authority or of any other council having control of the highway. It is obvious that, unless in the near neighbourhood of a town, the number of occasions on which it will be possible to find a motor car within half a mile of a weighing-machine must necessarily be limited. As at most railway stations there is a weighing-machine for the convenience of the traffic resorting to the station, some little assistance might be got by entering into an arrangement with the railway company whereby the railway weighing-machine could be used by the registering authority for the purpose of weighing motor cars, provided these machines proved to be capable of dealing with such loads as heavy motor cars, but in the ordinary course it would seem that, in order to use the powers contained in the Regulations it would be necessary for the Local Authority to instal weighing-machines at points on the main routes chiefly traversed by heavy motor cars. The number of these machines would depend upon the circumstances of the locality, and no doubt the expense would be considerable. It is, therefore, not likely that such an instalment of weighing-machines will be generally adopted, though it is possible that their instalment on the busiest thoroughfares may ultimately be found desirable. Another course which might be followed would be that, if the officer of the registering or road authority were suspicious that a heavy motor car was in the habit of being used in contravention of the Regulations, he could shadow it until he found it within half a mile of a weighing-machine and then resort to the powers conferred on him by the Regulations.

It must be kept in view that this Memorandum deals specially with the case of "heavy motor cars," and not with the cases of ordinary motor cars—the speed of which is regulated by the Motor Car Act, 1903—or of heavy locomotives as distinguished from light locomotives. The law regarding heavy locomotives is contained in the Locomotives (Scotland) Act, 1861, the Locomotives (Scotland) Act, 1865, the Locomotives Amendment (Scotland) Act, 1878, and the Locomotives on Highways Act, 1896. It may be sufficient for the purposes of this report to state that such locomotives must not exceed 9 feet in width and 14 tons in weight. The Road Authority are, however, authorised, on the application of the owner, to allow a

locomotive exceeding that width or weight to be used on any highway under such conditions as to them may appear desirable. The speed of all locomotives must not exceed 4 miles an hour on any turnpike or other public highway, and 2 miles an hour through any city, town, or village, A locomotive not drawing any carriage, and not exceeding in weight 3 tons. must have the tyres of the wheels not less than 3 inches in width, with an additional inch for every ton or fraction of a ton above the first three tons. If drawing any waggon or carriage, the tyres of the driving wheels must be not less than 2 inches in width for every ton in weight of a locomotive, unless the diameter of such wheels shall exceed 5 feet, when the width of the tyre may be reduced in the same proportion as the diameter of the wheel is increased, but in such cases the width of such tyres shall not be less than 14 inches. The driving wheels of a locomotive must be cylindrical, and smooth-soled or shod with diagonal cross-bars of not less than 3 inches in width nor more than three-fourths of an inch in thickness, extending the whole breadth of the tyre, and the space intervening between each such cross-bar shall not exceed 3 inches. Provisions relating to the weights to be carried in waggons drawn by locomotives are contained in the Locomotives (Scotland) Act. 1861, No question of real difficulty. however, has emerged regarding the use of locomotives on roads in Lanarkshire, and it is not suggested that the increase in the cost of maintaining the roads in that County in recent years is to any appreciable extent due to an increase of locomotive traffic as distinguished from motor-car or heavy motor-car traffic, and consequently it has not been considered necessary to deal further with the statutory law applicable to locomotives.

It is worthy of consideration whether representations should not be made to the Central Authority for amendment of the Regulations as regards maximum weight, and also particularly with a view to requiring larger diameters of wheels, both on motor vehicles and trailers, and to restricting the load to a limit of " hang " beyond the axles. It should be pointed out that, having regard to road camber, width of tire alone does not meet the case, and may, under certain circumstances, even be a disadvantage.

T.M.

November, 1913.

SYNOPSIS OF STATUTORY PROVISIONS AND REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO "MOTOR CARS" AND "HEAVY MOTOR CARS."

(*a*) MOTOR CARS.

The expression " Motor Car " occurs for the first time in the Motor Car Act, 1903, by Section XX of which Act it is declared to have the same meaning as the expression " light locomotive " in the Locomotive on Highways Act, 1896 (hereinafter referred to as the " Act of 1896 "). Accordingly, reading the provisions of Section I. of the Act of 1896 into the Motor Car Act, 1903, a motor car falls to be defined as " any vehicle propelled by mechanical power if it is under three tons in weight unladen, and is not used for the purpose of drawing more than one vehicle (such vehicle with its locomotive not to exceed in weight unladen four tons), and is so constructed that no smoke or visible vapour is emitted therefrom except from any temporary or accidental cause."

Under Section VI. of the Act of 1896 the Secretary for Scotland is empowered to make regulations with respect to the use of light locomoitves on highways and their construction, and the conditions under which they may be used. This power is by Section XII. of the Motor Car Act, 1903, extended to the effect of enabling the Secretary for Scotland to make Regulations increasing the maximum weights of three and four tons mentioned in Section I. of the Act of 1896, subject to any conditions as to the use and construction of the vehicle which may be made by the Regulations, and also to make Regulations as to speed as respects motor cars exceeding two tons in weight unladen.

The power to make Regulations under the Act of 1896 was exercised by the Secretary for Scotland, who issued a series of Regulations, which were contained in Orders dated 3rd December, 1896, and 26th August, 1901. These Regulations, however, were superseded by a new set of Regulations issued on 30th March, 1904, by the Secretary for Scotland, in pursuance of his powers under the Act of 1896 and the Act of 1903, and entitled the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) Scotland Order, 1904. By a previous set of Regulations, known as the Motor Car Registration and Licensing (Scotland) Order, 1903, the Secretary for Scotland had laid down rules for the registration of motor cars, but it is unnecessary for the purposes of the present memorandum to refer to these further.

The Motor Car (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1904, defines motor car in the same terms as a light locomotive is defined by Section I. of the Act of 1896, but provides that in calculating for the purposes of the Order the weight of a vehicle unladen, the weight of any water, fuel, or accumulators used for the purpose of propulsion shall not be included. (Article I.)

The use of a motor car on a highway (which for the purposes of the Order includes any roadway to which the public are granted access) is prohibited unless the following conditions are satisfied:—

(1) The motor car, if it exceeds in weight unladen five hundredweight, shall be capable of being so worked that it may travel forwards or backwards.

(2) The motor car must not exceed seven feet two inches in width measured between its extreme projecting points.

(3) The tire of each wheel must be smooth, where it touches the ground flat, and of the width following:—

Weight of Motor Car Unladen.	Width of Tire not less than
Exceeding 15 cwts., but not exceeding 1 ton.	2½ inches.
Exceeding 1 ton but not exceeding 2 tons.	3 inches.
Exceeding 2 tons but not exceeding 3 tons.	4 inches.

Where a pneumatic tire or other tire of a soft or elastic material is used the conditions set forth above with respect to tires do not apply.

(4) The motor car must have two independent brakes in good working order.

(5) Where the weight of a motor car unladen exceeds 15cwt. and the motor car is fitted with tires other than pneumatic tires or tires of a soft or elastic material, the weight of the motor car unladen is to be painted upon the right or off side of the motor car

(6 The motor car and fittings must be in such condition as not to cause or be likely to cause danger to any person on the motor car or on any highway.

(7) A lamp must be carried on the extreme off or right side, showing during the period between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise a white light, visible within a reasonable distance in the direction towards which the motor car is proceeding or is intended to proceed, and a red light so visible in the reverse direction. Where a lamp, which exhibits a red light in the direction contrary to that towards which the motor car is proceeding, is carried attached to the back of the motor car, the condition requiring the lamp attached to the right or off side to exhibit a red light does not apply. Every lamp carried by a motor car must be so constructed, fitted, and attached as to prevent the movement or use as a searchlight of the light exhibited by any such lamp. (Article II.)

Where a motor car draws a trailer, such trailer must comply with conditions (2), (3), (5), and (6) of Article II., as if the vehicle drawn by the motor car was therein referred to instead of the motor car itself. Every trailer must have a brake if it exceeds two hundredweight in weight unladen, and must in that event carry upon the vehicle a person competent to apply the brake, unless the brakes upon the motor car drawing the trailer are so constructed and arranged that neither of such brakes can be used without bringing into action simultaneously the brake on the trailer, or unless the brake on the trailer can be applied from the motor car by a person on the motor car independently of the brakes of the latter. (Article III.)

Every person driving or in charge of a motor car, when used on any highway, shall comply with the Regulations following:—

(1) He shall not cause the motor car to travel backwards for a greater distance or time than may be requisite for the safety or convenience of the occupants of the motor car and of the passengers or other traffic on the highway.

(2) He shall not, when on the motor car, be in such a position that he cannot have control over the same, or that he cannot obtain a full view of the road and traffic ahead of the motor car, or quit the motor car without having taken due precautions against its being started in his absence, or allow the motor car or a vehicle drawn by it to stand on such highway so as to cause any unnecessary obstruction thereof.

(3) He shall, when meeting any carriage, horse, or cattle, keep the motor car on the left or near side of the road, and when passing any carriage, horse, or cattle proceeding in the same direction keep the motor car on the right or off side of the same.

(4) He shall not negligently or wilfully prevent, hinder, or interrupt the free passage of any person, carriage, horse, or cattle on any highway, and shall keep the motor car and any vehicle drawn thereby on the left or near side of the road for the purpose of allowing such passage.

(5) He shall, whenever necessary, by sounding the bell or other instrument required by Section III. of the Act of 1896, give audible and sufficient warning of the approach or position of the motor car.

(6) He shall, at the request of any police constable in uniform, or of any person having charge of a horse or cattle, or if any such constable or person shall put up his hand as a signal for that purpose, cause the motor car to stop and to remain stationary so long as may be reasonably necessary. (Article IV.)

Every motor car must be so constructed as to enable the driver, when the motor car is stationary otherwise than through an enforced stoppage owing to necessities of traffic, to stop the action of any machinery attached to or forming part of the motor car so far as may be necessary for the prevention of noise. The driver shall on every such occasion make prompt and effective use of all such means as, in pursuance of this condition, are provided for the prevention of noise as above-mentioned. This Regulation is not to prevent the examination or working of the machinery where necessary on account of failure or derangement of such machinery. (Article V.)

(*b*) HEAVY MOTOR CARS.

On 3rd January, 1905, the Secretary for Scotland, as the result of a report made by a Departmental Committee, issued a further set of Regulations, known as the Heavy Motor Car (Scotland) Order, 1905, prescribing regulations as to the weight, conditions of use, construction, and speed of motor cars exceeding a certain weight, which for convenience are termed "heavy motor cars." Advantage was taken of the power conferred by Section XII. of the Motor Car Act, 1903, to increase the weights of three and four tons mentioned in Section I. of the Act of 1896, and also to make Regulations as to the speed of motor cars exceeding two tons in weight unladen. These Regulations, except in so far as expressly varying the terms of the Motor Car (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1904, are to be read along with that Order, and it must therefore be understood that "heavy motor cars, while the subject as such of special Regulations, are also subject to the Regulations in the Order of 1904, so far as not varied by the Order of 1905, as still being "motor cars." The Regulations came into force on 1st March 1950, (Article I.)

The expression "heavy motor car," which is used for the first time in these Regulations, is defined to mean "a motor car exceeding two tons in weight unladen." The expression "trailer" means a vehicle drawn by a heavy motor car.

The expression "axle-weight" means in relation to an axle of a heavy motor car or of a trailer, the aggregate weight transmitted to the surface of the road or other base whereon the heavy motor car or the trailer moves or rests, by the several wheels attached to that axle when the heavy motor car or trailer is loaded.

The expression "registered axle-weight" means in relation to an axle of a heavy motor car, the axle-weight of that axle, as registered by the registering authority in pursuance of the Regulations.

The expression "width" in relation to the tire of a wheel means the distance measured horizontally and in a straight line across the circumference of the wheel, and between the two points in the outer surface of the tire which are farthest apart.

The expression "diameter," in relation to a wheel, means the diameter measured between the two opposite points in the other surface of the tire which are farthest apart.

The expression "weight," in relation to a heavy motor car or trailer when unladen, means the weight of the vehicle exclusive of the weight of any water, fuel, or accumulators used for the purpose of propulsion. (Article II.)

Notwithstanding anything in the Motor Car Acts, 1896 and 1903, and except as otherwise provided in the Regulations, a heavy motor car may be used on a highway if the weight of the heavy motor car unladen does not exceed *five tons*, or if the weight of the heavy motor car unladen with the weight of an unladen vehicle drawn by it does not exceed *six and a-half tons*. (Article III.)

On application for registration of a heavy motor car the owner must declare:—

(*a* The weight of the heavy motor car unladen;
(*b*) The axle-weight of each axle; and
(*c*) The diameter of each wheel.

Before a heavy motor car is registered the weight of the car unladen, and, if the registering authority so direct, the axle-weight of each axle of the car, shall be ascertained by or in the presence of an officer of the registering authority. That officer shall certify the weight or weights so ascertained, and shall make any necessary correction in the statement of weights declared by the owner.

The officer of the registering authority shall also satisfy himself that the tires of the wheels of the car, if the tires are not pneumatic, or are not made of a soft or elastic material, are of the dimensions required by the Regulations.

The owner of a heavy motor car shall, for the purpose of this condition, cause the motor car to be driven or brought to any such place as the registering authority appoint.

Upon the registration of a heavy motor car there must be entered in the Register:—

(*a*) the weight of the heavy motor car unladen, as certified as aforesaid,
(*b*) the axle-weight of each axle,
(*c*) the diameter of each wheel,
(*d*) the width and material of the tire of each wheel, and
(*e*) the highest speed at which, in conformity with the Regulations, the heavy motor car may be driven without a trailer.

Upon receiving from the registering authority a copy of the entries made in the register relating to a heavy motor car, the owner of the heavy motor car shall cause—

I. the registered weight of the motor car unladen,
II. the registered axle weight of each axle, and
III. the highest rate of speed at which in conformity with the Regulations the heavy motor car may be driven without a trailer,

to be painted or otherwise plainly marked, in the first and second case, upon some conspicuous part of the right or off side of the heavy motor car, and in the third case upon some conspicuous part of the left or near side of the heavy car.

In the case of a heavy motor car, the weight of which when unladen exceeds five tons but does not exceed seven tons, and which has been registered before the first day of September, 1904, compliance with the provisions regarding registration shall, notwithstanding the provisions of the Regulations, have effect as a sufficient authority for the use of the heavy motor car on a highway. (Article IV.)

The axle-weight of an axle of a heavy motor car shall not exceed the registered axle-weight.

The registered axle-weight of an axle of a heavy motor car shall not exceed eight tons, and the sum of the registered axle-weights of all the axles of a heavy motor car shall not exceed twelve tons. (Article V.)

The tire of each wheel of a heavy motor car shall be smooth, and shall, where the tire touches the surface of the road or other base whereon the heavy motor car moves or rests be flat; the edges of the tire may be bevelled or rounded to the extent in the case of each edge of not more than half an inch; if the tire is constructed of separate plates the plates may be separated by parallel spaces which shall be disposed throughout the outer surface of the

tire so that nowhere shall the aggregate extent of space or spaces in the course of a straight line drawn horizontally across the circumference of the wheel exceed one-eighth part of the width of the tire.

The width of the tire of each wheel of a heavy motor car shall be determined by such of the following conditions as may apply to the circumstances of the case; that is to say—

(*a*) the width shall in every case be not less than 5 inches.

(*b*) The width shall be not less than that number of half inches which is equal to the number of units of registered axle-weight of the axle to which the wheel is attached.

The unit of registered axle-weight shall vary according to the diameter of the wheel and the rules set forth in the subjoined scale; that is to say:—

I. If the wheel is three feet in diameter the unit of registered axle-weight shall be seven and a-half hundredweights;

II. If the wheel exceeds three feet in diameter the unit of registered axle-weight shall be seven and a-half hundredweights, with an addition of weight in the proportion of one hundredweight for every twelve inches by which the diameter is increased beyond three feet; and in the same proportion for any increase which is greater or less than twelve inches; and

III. If the wheel is less than three feet in diameter the unit of registered axle-weight shall be seven and a-half hundredweights, with a deduction of weight in the proportion of one hundredweight for every six inches by which the diameter is reduced below three feet; and in the same proportion for any reduction which is greater or less than six inches.

This Article shall not apply to any tire which is pneumatic or which is made of a soft or elastic material. (Article VI.)

The speed at which a heavy motor car is driven on any highway shall not exceed eight miles an hour:

Provided that—

(*a*) If the weight of the heavy motor unladen exceeds three tons; or

(b) If the registered axle-weight of any axle exceeds six tons; or

(*c*) If the heavy motor draws a trailer,

the speed shall not exceed five miles an hour.

Provided also that—

If the heavy motor car has all its wheels fitted with pneumatic tires or with tires made of a soft or elastic material, the speed at which the heavy motor car may be driven on the highway shall not exceed—

(*a*) Twelve miles an hour—

Where the registered axle-weight of any axle does not exceed six tons; and

(*b*) Eight miles an hour—

Where the registered axle-weight of any axle exceeds six tons. (Article VII.)

The diameter of a wheel of a heavy motor car, if the wheel is fitted with a tire which is not pneumatic or is not made of soft or elastic material, shall be not less than two feet. (Article VIII.)

Notwithstanding anything in the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1904, a heavy motor car, if its weight unladen is three tons or exceeds three tons, and any trailer drawn by any such heavy motor car, may, when measured between its extreme projecting points, be of a width not exceeding seven feet six inches. (Article IX.)

Every heavy motor car shall be constructed with suitable and sufficient springs between each axle and the frame of the heavy motor car. (Article X.)

The owner of a trailer shall cause to be painted or otherwise plainly marked upon some conspicuous part of the right or off side of the trailer—

(*a*) The weight of the trailer unladen; and

(*b*) The axle weight of each axle of the trailer, if the weight of the trailer unladen exceeds one ton.

The Regulations, so far as they relate to the width of the tires and the size of the wheels of a heavy motor car, the wheels whereof are fitted with tires which are not pneumatic and are not made of a soft or elastic material, shall, with the necessary modifications, apply and have effect with respect to a trailer exceeding one ton in weight unladen; with the substitution in the Regulations of three inches for five inches as the minimum width of the tires, and of reference to the axle-weights painted or marked upon the trailer in pursuance of this Article for reference to registered axle-weights.

The axle-weight of an axle of a trailer shall not exceed four tons.

Every trailer shall be constructed with suitable and sufficient springs between each axle and the frame of the trailer.

A heavy motor car which is used either as a stage carriage or otherwise for the conveyance of passengers for gain or hire shall not draw a trailer. (Article XI.)

If a heavy motor car is upon a highway within a distance not exceeding half a mile by road from a public weighing machine, or other weighing machine which is conveniently accessible, and which belongs to or is subject to the control, or may be used for any purposes of a registering authority, or of any other Council having control of the highway, and a duly authorised officer of the registering authority or other Council has reasonable ground for ascertaining whether the axle-weight for the time being of any axle of the heavy motor car, or of the trailer drawn by the heavy motor car, exceeds the registered or marked axle-weight of that axle, the officer may require the person driving or in charge of the heavy motor car to drive the heavy motor car, with or without the trailer, or to cause the heavy motor car to be driven, with or without the trailer, to the weighing machine, and the said officer may then cause the axle-weight for the time being of any axle to be ascertained, and the person driving or in charge of the heavy motor car shall comply with such requirement, and shall to the best of his ability afford all such facilities as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of ascertaining the axle-weight as aforesaid. (Article XII.)

The use or driving on a highway of a heavy motor car or trailer, which is not in all respects in conformity with the Regulations is forbidden. (Article XIII.)

Where any person liable for the repair of a bridge forming part of a highway sets up a notice on the bridge and in each approach stating that the bridge is insufficient to carry a heavy motor car, the registered axle-weight of any axle of which exceeds three tons or any greater weight, which shall be specified in the notice, the use of such a heavy motor car on the bridge is not allowable without the consent of the person liable for its repair.

If a dispute arises as to the insufficiency of the bridge to carry any such heavy motor car, and on a reference by the person liable for the repair of the bridge and the owner of the heavy motor car, the award adjudges the bridge to be sufficient to carry a heavy motor car, the registered axle-weight of any axle of which exceeds any weight specified in the notice, the prohibition shall cease to apply as regards any such heavy motor car, and the person liable to repair the bridge shall forthwith remove the notice set up.

If within a period of one month after a request in writing by the owner of any such heavy motor car the person liable to repair the bridge does not become a party to the submission of the dispute or difference to arbitration, or having become a party neglects or refuses to concur in the appointment of an arbiter, or to appoint an arbiter or an oversman, the prohibition of the driving of any such heavy motor car upon the bridge shall cease, and the notices set up shall be forthwith removed.

Nothwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the person liable to the repair of the bridge may, in substitution for the notice previously set up, set up new notices specifying some axle-weight greater than that to which any award or decree arbitral has had relation, and thereupon the new notices shall be subject to the same conditions as the previous notices.

The owner of a heavy motor car, the axle-weight of any axle of which exceeds six tons, shall not cause or suffer the heavy motor car to be driven, and the person driving or in charge of the heavy motor car shall not drive the heavy motor car upon a bridge forming part of a highway at any time when another heavy motor car, or a locomotive to which the Locomotives Amendment (Scotland) Act, 1878, applies is on the bridge. (Article XIV.)

A separate part is to be kept in the Register of Motor Cars for the registration of heavy motor cars. (Article XV.)

The Motor Car Registration and Licensing (Scotland) Order, 1903, and the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1904, are to apply and have effect in the case of heavy motor cars, subject to the Regulations, and any provisions of either Order which are inconsistent with the Regulations shall cease to apply and have effect in relation to a heavy motor car. (Article XVI.)

Certain concessions in respect to weight and tires are made in the case of military motor cars. (Article XVII.) But it is unnecessary to notice these.

Slight amendments have been made on the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1904, and on the Heavy Motor Car (Scotland) Order, 1905. Thus by the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1909, it is provided that the expression "carriage," occurring in Regulation No. 3 of Article IV. shall not include a tramway car or any other vehicle which runs on fixed rails; and by the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1911, seven hundredweight is substituted for five hundredweight in condition No. 1 of Article II. of the Order of 1904. By the Motor Cars (Use and Construction) (Scotland) Order, 1913, Article II. of the Order of 1904 is further amended by the addition of a proviso to the effect that in the case of a motor car which is propelled by steam and which exceeds two tons in weight unladen, and has one brake in good working order and of such efficiency that the application of that brake to the motor car shall cause two of its wheels on the same axle to be so held that the wheels shall be effectually prevented from revolving, and is not used either as a stage carriage or otherwise for the conveyance of passengers for gain or hire, the engine of that motor car, if it be capable of being reversed, shall be deemed to be the second independent brake required by the Regulation.

By the Heavy Motor Car (Scotland) Order, 1911, alterations were made on the Regulations in relation to military motor cars, but, as already stated, it is unnecessary to deal with these.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

ACCIDENTS CAUSED BY MOTOR-CARS WITHIN THE COUNTY DURING THE PAST SIX MONTHS.

No.	Road, &c.	Place.	Nature and Cause of Accident.
1	Glasgow and Hamilton Road, -	Hallside, - - -	Boy (5) knocked down by motor-car, and foot injured.
2	,, ,, ,, -	Blantyre, - - - - - -	Boy (12) ,, ,, minor injuries.
3	,, ,, ,, -	,, - - - - -	Girl (9) ,, ,, ,,
4	Glasgow and Carlisle Road, -	Ferniegair, - - - - -	Boy (4) ,, ,, ,,
5	Drygate Street, - - - -	Larkhall, - - - - -	Man cycling collided with motor-car; left arm fractured.
6	Muirkirk Road, - - - -	Strathaven, - - - -	Man fell off car, and received fatal injuries.
7	Lesmahagow Road, - - -	,, - - - -	Drove car recklessly into horse and machine.
8	Thornhill and Dumfries Road, -	Crawford, - - - - -	Cheviot tup killed while straying on public road.
9	Stirling and Carlisle ,, -	,, - - - - -	Black-faced hog killed ,, ,, ,,
10	, ,, ,, -	Near Summit, - - - -	Ewe killed while straying on public road.
11	,, ,, ,, -	,, - - - -	Black-faced lamb killed while straying on public road.
12	,, ,, ,, -	Crawford, - - - - -	,, ,, ,, ,, ,,
13	,, ,, ,, -	,, - - - - -	,, ,, ,, ,, ,,
14	,, ,, ,, -	Near Summit, - - - -	,, ,, ,, ,, ,,
15	Glasgow and Carlisle ,, -	Douglas, - - - - -	,, ,, ,, ,, ,,
16	Lanark and Strathaven ,, -	Auchenheath, - - - -	Injuries to two men by collision, riding ordinary and motor cycles respectively.
17	Elvanfoot ,, -	Leadhills, - - - - -	Ordinary cyclist injured by colliding with motor-car.
18	Stirling and Carlisle ,, -	Carluke, - - - - -	Man knocked down by motor-car and injured.
19	Lanark and Hamilton ,, -	Crossford, - - - - -	Motor cyclist injured by colliding with "Road under repair" board.
20	Stirling and Carlisle ,, -	*Near Hyndford*, Lanark, - -	Dog killed by being run over on road.
21	,, ,, ,, -	,, ,, ,, - -	Cab-driver killed by his dog-cart colliding with a motor-car; cab-driver drunk.
22	,, ,, ,, -	Glenmavis, - - - - -	Girl (3), crossing road, knocked down by motor cyclist.
23	Glasgow and Edinburgh ,, -	*Via Shotts Kirk*, Harthill, - -	Ordinary cyclist hanging to rear of motor cycle thrown and injured.
24	,, ,, ,, -	*Via Airdrie*, Plains, - - -	Man, whilst drunk, lying on road, run over by motor char-a-banc and killed.
25	,, ,, ,, -	,, Baillieston, - -	Drunk man staggered in front of motor-car, knocked down, and died in Infirmary.
26	,, ,, ,, -	,, Plains, - - -	Man knocked down and injured by stepping in front of char-a-banc.
27	,, ,, ,, -	,, ,, - - -	Man, cycling, left rear of char-a-banc and ran into motor-car coming from opposite direction.
28	,, ,, ,, -	*Via Shotts Kirk*, Thorniewood, -	Boy (7) tried to cross in front of motor lorry, and was knocked down and injured.
29	,, ,, ,, -	,, Fallside, - -	Motor cyclist came in contact with loaded cart, and was thrown; slightly injured.
30	,, ,, ,, -	*Via Airdrie*, Baillieston, - -	Motor-car collided with fruit float; horse had to be destroyed. Both men injured.
31	,, ,, ,, -	,, ,, - -	Conductor knocked down and hurt by wheels of motor char-a-banc skidding.
32	Main Street, - - - -	Bellshill, - - - - -	Boy (4) attempted to cross street in front of motor lorry; knocked down and hurt.
33	,, - - - -	,, - - - - -	Motor-car driven into new tramway track; lady slightly injured.
34	Glasgow and Edinburgh Road, -	*Via Airdrie*, Baillieston, - -	Girl (8) tried to cross in front of car; knocked down, and died shortly after.
35	,, ,, ,, -	,, ,, -	Boy (3) ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, and slightly injured.
36	,, ,, ,, -	,, ,, - -	Motor-car skidded and ran into motor bread van; motor passenger killed.
37	Glasgow and Hamilton ,, -	Broomhouse, - - - -	Motor cyclists collided. Lady passenger in side-car severely injured. One of the cyclists on wrong side of road.
38	Cumbernauld Road, - - -	Chryston, - - - - -	Ordinary cyclist, motor cyclist, and fish cart collided; three persons injured.
39	,, ,, - - -	Mollinsburn, - - - -	Horse, frightened by motor cyclist, ran on to footpath and injured girl (3).
40	Kirkintilloch ,, - - -	Bishopbriggs, - - - -	Two motor cars collided; one person slightly injured.
41	,, ,, - - -	,, - - - -	Man stepped from behind tramcar in front of motor-car; knocked down and slightly injured.
42	,, , - - -	,, - - - -	Boy, crossing road from behind tramcar, knocked down by motor-car and seriously injured.

H. J. DESPARD, Captain, *Chief Constable.*

19th November, 1912.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 26th November, 1913, being a meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council of Lanark, in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destructor Works at Cambuslang. 26th November, 1913.

Present—

Owen Coyle. | William Love.
Robert Lambie. | Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel King Stewart.

Attending—

W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
D. M. Eunson, Resident Engineer.

Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Joint-Committee, of date 17th September, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a communication, of date 7th instant, which he had received from the Resident Engineer, reporting that the local Committee had sanctioned the removal of three existing pillars in Brownside Road, Cambuslang, and the installation of two new ones, with a view to improving the lighting of that road, at a total cost of £30, allocated as follows:—£15 10s. applicable to the County Council for the cable and laying thereof, and £14 10s. applicable to the District Committee for posts and fittings. The meeting approved. *Alterations of pillars in Brownside Road*

The Resident Engineer also reported that he had had the works' telephone removed to a new position in the engine-room, as the old position was very unsuitable, and that he had asked the Telephone Company to mount two heavy ringing bells in connection with the telephone—one in the engine-room, and one in the boiler-house—the cost of which, he stated, would be 12s. 6d. per bell per annum. The meeting approved. *Works telephone.*

There was laid before the meeting an application by shift engineers Thomas Ross and Dugald M'Isaac for an increase of wages. The Clerk having informed the meeting of the dates of the appointments of these two workmen, of their present wages and of previous increases, and the meeting having heard a statement by the Resident Engineer, it was agreed to increas their wages to 35s. per week, the increase to take effect in the next pay-bill. *Application for increase of wages by shift engineers.*

The Clerk submitted the Works Record (Appendix I.), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Joint-Committee. *Works record.*

Reports on boilers.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited, of the results of the examination of Nos. 1 and 2 Lancashire boilers, and No. 3 Babcock water-tube boiler, which were satisfactory.

Statement showing effect of working of the Electricity Works.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a statistical statement (Appendix II.), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Joint-Committee, showing the effect of the working of the electrical undertaking at Cambuslang since the date of its commencement till the end of the financial year, 1912-13.

Relationship of electricity undertaking to Destructor. — Communication from Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk submitted and read an excerpt from a communication, of date 5th August, 1913, which he had received from the Secretary for Scotland, and which was in the following terms, viz.: —

* * * *

"Another matter which requires consideration in connection with the Cambuslang electricity undertaking is the relation between the accounts of that undertaking and the accounts of the Cambuslang Scavenging District, arising from the fact that the calorific power for the generation of electrical energy is in part derived from the destruction of refuse by the destructor erected in conjunction with the Electricity Works. The payment for this power to the Cambuslang Scavenging Account cannot be traced in the Electricity Accounts, and it is impossible in the circumstances to make a proper comparison between the cost of generating the electrical energy in the case of the Cambuslang undertaking and the the cost of generating in the case of similar undertakings which derive their power wholly from coal.

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The meeting remitted to the Clerk to adjust the matters with the Scottish Office.

Application for additional borrowing powers.

The Clerk having stated that it would be necessary to make application to the Secretary for Scotland for additional borrowing powers to meet expenditure in providing and laying service cables connecting existing distributing cables with new premises, the meeting authorised him to make application for the borrowing of a sum of £250.

Letter from Resident Engineer.

The Clerk submitted a communication which he had received from the Resident Engineer in regard to action he had taken following upon a difference that had arisen between him and the Chief Shift Engineer.

The Resident Engineer having reported the circumstances which led up to the action which he had taken, the meeting agreed, before coming to a determination in the matter, to give the Chief Shift Engineer an opportunity of being heard, and instructed the Clerk accordingly.

APPENDIX I.

CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND REFUSE DESTRUCTION WORKS.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending	Units generated, Refuse.	Units generated, Coal.	Units sold, Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used in Gallons.	Coal used.			Refuse destroyed.			Units bought, Clyde Valley.	Total Units generated.	Total Units corresponding period last year.
						Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.			
1913. Aug. 30	2,057	178	1,329	63	33,330	1	15	0	119	19	2	81	2,316	2,404
Sept. 6	2,283	251	1,523	75	41,240	2	16	0	118	12	2	26	2,560	2,688
,, 13	2,260	428	1,574	107	50.080	7	3	2	121	14	0	18	2,706	2,880
,, 20	2,152	869	1,649	118	48,120	11	18	0	93	12	0	—	3,021	3,088
,, 27*	2,827	1550	1,746	141	59,080	10	19	2	151	9	2	5	4,382	3,193
Oct. 4	3,530	130	1,866	101	46,470	1	1	0	146	14	0	—	3,660	3,452
,, 11	3,715	96	1,940	99	48,660	1	1	0	137	3	0	—	3,811	3,611
,, 18	3,875	85	2,111	99	48.220	1	8	0	139	13	0	—	3,960	3,838
,, 25*	3,851	542	2,170	117	52.310	3	18	0	135	17	0	—	4,393	4,352
Nov. 1	4,526	68	2,230	133	56.260	1	1	0	138	12	0	40	4,634	4,361
,, 8	4,326	738	2,400	155	59,050	6	13	0	145	7	2	—	5,064	4,661

* Denotes flue cleaning.

D. M. EUNSON,
Resident Engineer.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY WORKS.

STATISTICS.

	Light at 4d.		Under Contracts.	Power at 2d.		Current Sold. Public Lighting at 2d.		Total.		Average per Unit.	Net Cost of Production.	Average per Unit.
	Units.			Units.		Units.		Units.				
1905-06 (8 Mos.)	8629	£143 16 4	...	493	£4 2 2	51245	£427 0 10	60367	£574 19 4	2·3d	£515 9 10	2d.
1906 07	17383	289 14 4	...	1853	15 8 10	53880	449 0 0	73116	754 3 2	2·5d	810 14 9	2·7d
1907-08	30478	507 19 4	...	2154	17 19 0	44709	372 11 6	77341	898 9 10	2·8d	869 15 6	2·7d
1908-09	33782	563 0 8	5000 at 2¾d. £57 5 9 4370 „ 2½d. 45 10 5	3563	29 13 10	55862 294 at 3d	465 10 4 3 13 6	102871	1164 14 6	2·7d	584 11 9	1·3d
1909-10	36027	600 9 0	5000 „ 2¾d. 57 5 10 9260 „ 2½d. 96 9 7	5178	43 3 0	57060	475 10 0	112525	1272 17 5	2·7d	582 5 11	1·2d
1910-11	42580	709 13 4	5000 „ 2¾d. 57 5 10 8988 „ 2½d 93 12 6	13544	112 7 4	55290	460 15 0	125402	1434 4 0	2·7d	741 16 2	1·4d
1911-12	43667	727 15 8	5000 „ 2¾d. 57 5 10 10760 „ 2½d. 112 1 8 768 „ 2¼d. 7 4 0	12863	107 3 10	60024	500 4 0	133082	1511 15 0	2·7d	965 8 0	1·7d
1912-13	51583	859 14 4	5000 „ 2¾d. 57 5 10 10170 „ 2½d. 105 18 9 1517 „ 2¼d. 14 4 5	17124	142 14 0	73605	613 7 6	158999	1793 4 10	2·7d	951 11 7	1·4d

	Sums received from Local Rate.	Profit on Trading.	Loss on Trading.	Debit Balance carried forward.
1905-06	£503 9 1	£63 4 6	...	£167 5 3
1906-07	514 3 4	...	£51 6 7	760 17 3
1907-08	520 5 0	28 14 4	...	1,436 12 4
1908-09	1,080 15 5	575 2 9	...	927 18 4
1909-10	790 10 10	680 11 6	...	628 15 1
1910-11	625 5 11	523 16 7	...	723 15 8
1911-12	655 6 10	545 7 0	...	782 15 8
1912-13	747 18 3	836 18 3	...	694 1 5

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers there, upon Friday, 31st October, 1913 years, at 2.20 p.m., being a Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. — 31st October, 1913.

Explosives Committee.

Present—

THOMAS ARNOT, Esq. | W. L. DYER, Esq.
WILLIAM BARR, Esq. | ALEX. HAMILTON, Esq.
JAMES TONNER, Esq.

Mr. Arnot in the chair. — *Chairman.*

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. Steel. — *Apology for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the meeting of the committee held on 25th April, 1913, were submitted and approved, and signed by the chairman. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk read his report, which was in the following terms:— — *Clerk's report.*

"Office of the Clerk of the Peace,
Hamilton, 31st October, 1913.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to report that, on 8th May last, Henry Carr, miner, residing at 4 Smithy Row, Cadzow, Hamilton (police information against whom was submitted at last meeting), was charged, before the Sheriff at Hamilton, with keeping explosives in an unauthorised place at 14 Bog Row, Hamilton, and was fined 7s., or two days' imprisonment, with forfeiture of the explosives seized.

On 24th September, Mr. John Hamilton, coalmaster, Stonehouse, was fined £2, at the Sheriff Court, Hamilton, for a contravention of the Explosives Act, by keeping explosives in his store at Woodside Colliery, Dalserf, in excess of the quantity which his license authorised him to keep.

On 20th October, Mr. William Wylie, Secretary of Hunter & Warren, Ltd., explosives merchants, Glasgow, and Mr. John Gemmell, coalmaster, Netherburn, appeared before the Sheriff, charged with keeping explosives in an unauthorised place, namely, in a store at Hill Farm, Netherburn. The store in question was one for which a license is in force, in name of Mr. John Russell, formerly ironmonger, Hamilton. Mr. Wylie pled guilty of the charge, and was fined £10, while Mr. Gemmell pled not guilty, and the complaint was continued until 5th November for trial.

The informations against Mr. Hamilton and Messrs. Wylie and Gemmell were, as authorised by the committee, perused by the chairman and myself before prosecutions were instructed, and in the latter case the recommendation to the Procurator-Fiscal was to prosecute Mr. Wylie alone.

Since the meeting of the committee held on 25th April last, the following eleven applications for new licenses for stores for mixed explosives (which had been examined and favourably reported on by the Inspectors) have been granted, and licenses issued to the applicants on the instructions of the chairman, viz.:—

Summerlee Iron Company, Limited, coal and iron masters, and John Thomson Forbes, Secretary, 176 West George Street, Glasgow, for Dykehead Colliery (Parish of Hamilton), Division B.

The Lanarkshire Steel Company, Limited, per D. M'Naughton, Secretary, Motherwell, for Motherwell (Parish of Dalziel) Division A.

Robert Russell, Ironmonger, 104 Quarry Street, Hamilton, for Torhead Farm (Parish of Hamilton)—3 Stores (2 under Division D and 1 under Division B).

Edward Stirling, storekeeper, Gilbertfield Colliery, Cambuslang, for Gilbertfield Colliery (Parish of Cambuslang), Division C.

H. M. M'Neill Hamilton, coalmaster, per William Chambers, Secretary, Bentrigg Colliery, Netherburn, for Shawsburn Colliery (Parish of Dalserf), Division B.

John Russell, explosives merchant, Bankend, Park Road, Hamilton, for Annsfield, Eddlewood (Parish of Hamilton)—3 stores (2 under Division D and 1 under Division B).

John Gemmell, coalmaster, 60 St. Enoch Square, Glasgow, for South Longrigg Colliery (Parish of Dalserf), Division B.

Since the same meeting, there have been issued 15 renewals of registrations, and the following 35 new registrations, namely—

Robert Russell, ironmonger, 55 Main Street, Wishaw (mixed explosives).

The Auchinlea Coal Company, Limited, coalmasters, per William Stevenson, manager, Howmuir Colliery, Omoa (mixed explosives).

Robert M. Kirkwood, ironmonger, 27 Union Street, Larkhall (mixed explosives).

Miss Ann Russell, ironmonger, 27 Main Street, Cambuslang (mixed explosives).

Edward Stirling, storekeeper, Gilbertfield Colliery, Cambuslang (mixed explosives).

John Watson, Limited, coalmasters, per Edward Stirling, storekeeper, Cambuslang, for Gilbertfield Colliery (mixed explosives).

H. M. M'Neill Hamilton, coalmaster, per William Chambers, Secretary, Bentrigg Colliery, Netherburn, for Shawsburn Colliery (mixed explosives).

William Soutar, Lorne Place, 26 Bellshill Road, Uddingston.

Barbara M'Millan, stationer, 154 Glasgow Road, Stonefield, Blantyre.

John M'Parlane, 24 New Rows, Aitkenhead, near Uddingston.

Mrs. Hay, 540 Main Street, Mossend.

Mrs. Margaret Griffiths, confectioner, 37 Clyde Place, Bothwell Haugh, Bothwell.

Mrs. Margaret M'Culloch, hardware merchant, 233 Main Street, Cambuslang.

Mrs. Mary Cairns, confectioner, 102 Muir Street, Motherwell.

Miss Martha Lang, confectioner, Alma Bank, Carfin Road, Motherwell.

George Brown, dairyman, 226 Glasgow Road, Blantyre.

John Harrison, confectioner, Millside, Bothwell Bridge, Bothwell.

George Frame, general dealer, 58 Airbles Road, Motherwell.

William Liddell, confectioner, 317 Merry Street, Motherwell.

Mrs. Mary Buchanan, general dealer, 14 Stonefield Road, Blantyre.

Miss Brown, general dealer, Main Street, Craigneuk.
Mrs. M'Millan, newsagent, Newarthill.
Robert Perrie, confectioner, Church Street, Larkhall.
Mrs. Cook, confectioner, 63 Miller Street, Larkhall.
Mrs. M'Lean, confectioner, 91 John Street, Larkhall.
Mrs. Perry, confectioner, 13 John Street, Larkhall.
Mrs. Wright, confectioner, 35 Wellgate Street, Larkhall.
Michael Kelly, general merchant, Craigneuk Street, Wishaw.
Thomas M'Knight, general dealer, 38 John Street, Craigneuk, Wishaw.
Miss Dunn, ironmonger, 92 Gladstone Place, Craigneuk, Wishaw.
John Gemmell, coalmaster, Netherburn, for No. 3 Pit, South Longrigg Colliery, Netherburn (mixed explosives).
John Gemmell, before designed, for No. 2 Pit, South Longrigg Colliery, Netherburn (mixed explosives).
Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., coalmasters, per Robert Robertson, manager, 124 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, for Birkrigg Colliery, Netherburn (mixed explosives).
Mrs. Elizabeth Allardyce, confectioner, 1 Market Place, Stonehouse.
Miss Margaret Heffran, confectioner, Beechgrove Terrace, Carfin.

Your obedient Servant,

D. W. HIDDLESTON,
Depute Clerk.

To the Explosives Committee
for the Hamilton District of the
Middle Ward of the County of Lanark."

Inspector Moir's report.

The following report by Superintendent Moir, Motherwell, Inspector under the Act, was read to the meeting, viz.:—

"Lanarkshire Constabulary,
Motherwell, 29th October, 1913.

Gentlemen,

I beg to report, for your information, that, during my inspections of the various stores and registered premises in this Division, since your last meeting, I have found them in a satisfactory condition, and no infringements of the Act have been seen or reported.

No. 10, Greenhill Colliery, Cleland, has recently been acquired by the Auchinlea Coal Company, and in the ordinary course the license here would require to be transferred, but the existing store being very inconveniently situated, the management have decided to proceed at once with the erection of a new store, and to apply for a license for it immediately.

I am, Sirs,

Your obedient Servant,

ALEXANDER MOIR,
Superintendent.

To the Explosives Committee
for the Hamilton District of the
Middle Ward of the County of Lanark."

Inspector Taylor's report.

There was also read to the meeting the following report by Superintendent Taylor, Hamilton, Inspector under the Act, viz.:—

"Lanarkshire Constabulary,
Hamilton, 30th October, 1913.

Gentlemen,

I beg to report, for your information, that, since the meeting held on 25th April last, 9 store licenses have been granted for premises in this Division for the keeping of mixed explosives—7 for new premises, and 2 for old premises where a change of licensee had taken place, all of which were examined and reported on respectively, and police certificates have been

granted to the license-holders. I have also issued 4 certificates for registered premises.

The following is a list of cases dealt with during the period:—

Henry Carr, miner, No. 4 Smithy Row, Cadzow, Hamilton, was, at the Sheriff Court, Hamilton, on 8th May, 1913, charged with keeping 3½ lbs. of explosives in an unauthorised place, viz., a dwelling-house at No. 14 Bog Row, Larkhall, occupied by him from 15th till 23rd April, 1913. He pled guilty, and was fined 7s., or 2 days.

John Hamilton, coalmaster, No. 7 New Street, Stonehouse, was, at the Sheriff Court, Hamilton, on 24th September, 1913, charged with having, on 29th August 1913, in his store at Woodside Colliery, Dalserf, 375 lbs. of gelignite in excess of what he was authorised to keep. He pled guilty, and was fined £2, or 10 days.

William Wylie, Secretary to Hunter & Warren, explosives agents, No. 19 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, and John Gemmell, coalmaster, No. 90 St. Enoch Square, Glasgow, were, at the Sheriff Court, Hamilton, on 20th October, 1913, charged with having, on 29th August, 1913, kept 2,250 lbs. of gelignite in an unauthorised place on Hill Farm, Netherburn, Dalserf. Mr. Wylie pled guilty, and was fined £10, or 20 days. Mr. Gemmell pled not guilty, and his case was continued till 5th November, 1913.

The premises where these explosives were stored belonged to John Russell, explosive agent, Hamilton, and were licensed in his name, under Division D, as a store for keeping mixed explosives, for the year 1913. Mr. Russell became bankrupt in March last, and had to hand over the keys of his stores to his trustees, who, in May, sold the stores to Hunter & Warren aforesaid, therefore Mr. Russell's licenses became null and void, and in August the above quantity of explosives, said to belong to Mr. Gemmell, was put into these premises by Hunter & Warren, without any application being made for a license.

During the course of my inspections, I have found the stores and registered premises generally in good order, and the license-holders, excepting the above-named, complying with the statute.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ALEXANDER TAYLOR,
Superintendent.

To the Explosives Committee
for the Hamilton District of the
Middle Ward of the County of Lanark."

Police information.

There was submitted to the meeting a police information charging James M'Morran, newsagent, 47 Windhillhill Street, Motherwell, with contravening the Explosives Act by selling explosives (namely, "squibs") to a child under 13 years of age, in his shop there—said shop being also an unauthorised place in the sense of the Act. After some discussion, the committee resolved not to prosecute the accused, but instructed the Clerk to write to him, admonishing him on behalf of the committee, and warning him against any repetition of the offence.

Application for store license.

An application, by Wilsons & Clyde Coal Company, Ltd., coalmasters, 75 Bothwell Street, Glasgow, per James Brown, Secretary, for license for store at East Parkhead Colliery (Parish of Bothwell), under Division C, was submitted to the meeting. The Inspector's Report on the store being satisfactory, it was agreed to grant the license, and the Clerk was instructed accordingly.

NOTE.

Members are respectfully reminded that no valid Resolution to promote a Provisional Order or Private Bill can be adopted unless passed by an *absolute majority* of the whole governing body. It is hoped, therefore, that there will be a full attendance of members.

T. M.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 8*th December*, 1913.

Sir,

I am to intimate that a Special Meeting of the County Council of this County will be held within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), upon *Wednesday*, 17*th current*, at Two o'clock p.m.—or immediately after the First Meeting of the Council, to be held at 1.30 o'clock p.m., the same day—for the purpose of approving, if so resolved, of an application to the Secretary for Scotland, under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for a Provisional Order—

To amend the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, in relation to the County of Lanark, and for other purposes.

of all which notice is hereby given, in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899; the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889; the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91; and the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW

(Entrance by 40 Wilson Street),

On WEDNESDAY, 17th DECEMBER, 1913,

At Two o'Clock Afternoon,

or immediately after the First Meeting of the Council.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Notice of Meeting to be read.

   Submit Newspapers containing Public Notice.

4. Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1913.

   Submit *Gazette* Notice and Print of Draft Order.

   If so agreed, approve of promotion of Order, and remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee, with the full powers of the Council, to take such action as they may consider advisable in connection therewith.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,

Hamilton, 26*th December*, 1913.

Sir,

I am to request your attendance at a Meeting of the County Council, to be held in the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on *Wednesday, 7th proximo*, at *Two o'clock p.m.*, to receive and consider the Minutes of the Committee of Selection (a copy of which will be sent), containing suggestions for the Constitution of Committees, and relating to other matters dealt with by that Committee.

A Print of the Minutes of the last meeting of the Council is sent herewith.

I subjoin Notices of Motions which have been received by me.

The meeting may take up and dispose of any other competent business.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of Motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan, countersigned by Mr. James H. Fenton.

"That the information referred to on page 59 of the Finance Committee's Minutes of 5th November, 1913, relative to price of land, etc., be supplied to members of the County Council."

Notice of Motion by Mr. A. H. J. Briggs, countersigned by Mr. John Hurll.

"That a Committee be appointed to consider the question of the preparation of the Register of Voters for the County, and to report."

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT,
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW

(ENTRANCE BY 40 WILSON STREET),

On WEDNESDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1914,

AT TWO O'CLOCK AFTERNOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of Statutory Meeting of Council, held on 17th December, 1913, to be submitted.

5. Minutes of Committee of Selection. of dates 17th, 23rd, and 30th December, 1913, containing recommendations with respect to the constitution of Committees, and other matters remitted to them.

6. Notice of Motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan:—"That the information referred to on page 59 of the Finance Committee's Minutes of 5th November, 1913, relative to price of land, etc., be supplied to Members of the County Council."

7. Notice of Motion by Mr. A. H. J Briggs: — "That a Committee be appointed to consider the question of the preparation of the Register of Voters for the County, and to report."

Any other competent business.

The Members of the Council will meet as the Local Pension Committee for the County immediately after the Special Meeting called for 2-30 o'clock p.m.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

17th December, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 17th December, 1913, at half-past one o'clock afternoon, being the first Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark elected on 2nd December, 1913, called in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Acts, by the intimations hereinafter mentioned.

Present—

THOMAS MUNRO, County Clerk and Returning Officer, and the several persons hereinafter named as being in attendance, all as named and designed in the return and intimations of appointment hereinafter mentioned.

Documents submitted.

The Clerk laid upon the table the following documents:—

(1) A Return of the persons elected to the County Council in the several electoral divisions of the County, made by him, as Returning Officer, and dated 3rd December, 1913.

(2) A letter, dated 7th November, 1913, addressed by the Town-Clerk of Lanark to the County Clerk, intimating the appointment by the Town Council of Lanark of Treasurer Peter MacAuslan to represent the Burgh on the County Council.

(3) A letter, dated 11th November, 1913, addressed by the Town-Clerk of the Burgh of Coatbridge to the County Clerk, intimating the appointment by the Town Council of Coatbridge of Bailies Adam Smith, Patrick J. Agnew, and Thomas K. Kellock, in room of Ex-Bailies David Kirk, Thomas Smith, and William Liddle; these representatives being in addition to Provost Thomas Davie and the Rev. Samuel Lindsay, who continued to be members of the Council.

(4) A letter, dated 11th November, 1913, addressed by the Town-Clerk of Rutherglen to the County Clerk, intimating the appointment by the Town Council of Rutherglen of Councillors David Hardie and William Anderson Thomson to represent the Burgh on the County Council.

The Clerk stated that, as Returning Officer, he had, in terms of the Statute, sent to each person elected in the several electoral divisions of the County a notice of his election and of the first meeting of the Council, and he laid before the meeting a copy of it, together with copies of the notices which he had, as County Clerk, sent to each person so elected and to the representatives of the Burghs above-named. These notices form Appendices I., II., and III. to this minute.

Thereafter the following persons, who had been elected to the County Council, appeared, and answered to their names, viz.:—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
John Allan Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
Wm. K. Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
William Macfarlane.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
A. D. Mack.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.
Major Lindsay.
John Mackenzie Loudon.
George Stalker.
William Bell.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.
Dr. Robertson.

Of the representatives of the Town Councils of the Burghs of Coatbridge, Lanark, and Rutherglen, there were present at the meeting—

Patrick J. Agnew. Peter MacAuslan. W. A. Thomson.

Acceptance of office.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a written communication from each member of the County Council intimating acceptance of office.

Apology for absence.

An apology for absence was submitted from Mr. Thomas Arnot.

Appointment of Convener.

The meeting having proceeded in terms of the Statute to the election of a Convener of the County, Mr. Hope Vere moved that Colonel King Stewart be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. George Fraser. The motion, having been put to the meeting, was unanimously agreed to.

Colonel King Stewart took the chair as Convener of the County, and thanked the meeting.

Appointment of Vice-Convener—Colonel Buchanan nominated.

The meeting having proceeded to appoint a Vice-Convener of the County, Mr. William Spiers moved that Colonel Buchanan be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. James C. Pollok.

Thereafter Mr. William L. Dyer moved that Mr. Robert Lambie be appointed Vice-Convener of the County, which was seconded by Mr. Owen Coyle. *Mr. Robert Lambie nominated.*

There being no other nominations, and a vote having been taken by calling over the names of the members of the Council present, there voted for Colonel Buchanan the following:—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
J. P. Baird.
A. H. J. Briggs.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
Wm. K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
William Macfarlane.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
A. D. Mack.
James C. Pollok.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.
Major Lindsay.
Dr. Robertson.
Peter MacAuslan.

W. A. Thomson.

being 32 in all; and for Mr. Lambie the following:—

William Barr.
John Allan Beattie.
James Cameron.
Owen Coyle.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Robert Lambie.
Alexander Pillans.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
John M. Loudon.
George Stalker.
William Bell.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.

Patrick J. Agnew.

being 19 in all.

The Convener thereupon declared Colonel Buchanan to be duly elected Vice-Convener of the County, and Colonel Buchanan acknowledged the honour conferred upon him.

The minutes of the statutory meeting of the Council, held on 9th October last, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Convener stated that he desired to take this opportunity of referring to the retirement from the County Council of Mr. William Neilson, who had been a member of the Council since 1892, and who had rendered most valuable service to the County, not only as Vice-Convener, but in various other capacities, and he was sure that the members of the Council, like himself, deeply regretted the termination of Mr. Neilson's connection with the Council, and that Mr. Neilson carried with him their best wishes for the future. *Appreciation of services of Mr. William Neilson, late Vice-Convener of County.*

On the motion of the Convener, seconded by Mr. Lambie, the Clerk was instructed to send to Mr. Neilson an excerpt from the Minutes of the Council containing this reference.

Standing Orders.

The Standing Orders of the last County Council, a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council, were laid upon the table. The meeting, while adopting the Standing Orders meanwhile, agreed that a Committee, to be hereafter named, should be appointed to revise them and to report.

County Road Board.

The meeting having proceeded, in terms of the Statute, to appoint a County Road Board for the ensuing year, it was agreed that the following members of the Council should constitute the Board, and they were appointed accordingly, viz:—

J. P. Baird.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Wm. K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Owen Coyle.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
Robert Sharp.
Colonel King Stewart.
Thomas Watt.
John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
William Speirs.

Joint-Bridges Committee.

The following were appointed a Joint-Bridge Committee, or the Council's quota of the Joint-Bridges Committee, in virtue of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, viz.:—

James Anderson.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
James Tonner.

Quota of Lanark District Lunacy Board.

In accordance with the Rules prescribed by the General Board of Lunacy, the meeting proceeded to appoint the Council's quota of the Lanark District Lunacy Board, and appointed the following members to represent the Council on the said Board, viz.:—

Walter C. B. Christie.
James H. Fenton.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
Alexander Pillans.
James Prentice.
Dr. Robertson.
Robert Sharp.
George Stalker.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Templeton.
James C. Hope Vere.

Glasgow Prisons' Visiting Committee.

As required by the Rules of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, the meeting proceeded to appoint the Council's quota of the committee for visiting Glasgow Prisons (Barlinnie and Duke Street), and appointed the following members to represent the Council on the said committee:—

J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.

Licensing and Appeal Courts.

The meeting having proceeded in terms of the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 1903, to elect members of the County Council to the several Licensing and Appeal Courts, appointed the following, viz.:—

UPPER WARD.

Licensing Court.

J. P. Baird.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Colonel Logan.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Hope Vere.

Appeal Court.

J. P. Baird,
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
William K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. C. M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Hope Vere.

MIDDLE WARD.

Licensing Courts.

District No. 1.

William Barr.
James Cameron.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
W. B. Thomson.

District No. 3.

Charles A. Easson.
George Fraser.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Robert Lambie.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Joseph Sullivan.

District No. 2.

Thomas Arnot.
John Allan Beattie.
Owen Coyle.
John Jackson.
William Love.
James Tonner.

District No. 4.

Colonel Buchanan.
W. W. Chapman.
Thomas Davie.
A. D. Mack.
Robert Sharp.
Thomas Watt.

Appeal Court.

William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
George Fraser.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.

LOWER WARD.

Licensing Court.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
William Davie.
William Speirs.

Appeal Court.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John Hurll.
William Macfarlane.
William Speirs.

National Health Insurance Committee for the County.

The meeting appointed the following to be members of the Insurance Committee for the County as constituted by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, viz:—

J. P. Baird.
John Campbell.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
James Prentice.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Mrs. R. King Stewart, Murdostoun Castle, Newmains.
Mrs. Thomas F. Wilson, Flemington House, Uddingston.
Dr. John T. Wilson, County Medical Officer.
Dr. M'Nay, Larkhall.

Glasgow Court House Commission.

The following members of the Council were appointed to represent the Council on the Glasgow Court House Commission, viz:—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John Hurll.
Colonel Logan.
William Macfarlane.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.

Appointment of Local Pension Committee.

The meeting, on the motion of the Convener, agreed that the whole of the Members of the Council be appointed Members of the Local Pension Committee for the County under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1908, for the present Council's term of office.

County Councils' Association.

The meeting appointed the following members to represent this County Council on the Association of County Councils, viz. :—

Colonel Buchanan.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
James C. Hope Vere.
The County Clerk.

Constitution of other committees.—Appointment of Selection Committee.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of the appointment of other Committees, quotas of Committees, &c., agreed, after discussion, to appoint a Selection Committee, consisting of the following fifteen members, to consider and make recommendations thereanent :—

James Anderson.
William Barr.
Colonel Buchanan.
William Davie.
William L. Dyer.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Gavin Hamilton.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
James C. Hope Vere.

Colonel King Stewart to be chairman of the Committee, and three a quorum.

Remit to Selection Committee.

The meeting also agreed to remit to the above Committee, pending the appointment of the various Committees of the Council, to dispose of any matters requiring immediate attention.

Report of consent of Standing Joint-Committee.

There was submitted a report of consent of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County, given in pursuance of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, in relation to capital works and to the borrowing of the sums necessary to meet the expense thereof (forming Appendix IV. to this minute), which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council.

Report by County Analyst under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.

In terms of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, there was laid before the meeting a report by the County Analyst for the quarter ended 30th September last (forming Appendix V. to this minute), a print of which had been sent to each member of the Council.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act.

The Clerk reported that no samples of fertilisers and feeding stuffs had been analysed by the District Agricultural Analyst under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1906, for the quarter ended 30th September last.

Abstract of Valuation.

A printed abstract of the valuation of the County for the current year, giving a comparison with that for 1912-13 (forming Appendix VI. to this minute), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Council, was laid upon the table.

Minutes of committees.

The following minutes of Committees and Sub-Committees, and of the County Road Board, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, were laid before the meeting, viz. :—

(1) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 8th and 29th October and 26th November, 1913.

Sub-Committee on Lanark County Tramways, of dates 29th October and 4th and 19th November, 1913.

(2) Elections Committee, of date 15th October, 1913 Sub-Committee *re* Appointment of Additional Members for Glasgow Parish (Landward), of date 22nd October, 1913.

(3) Committee on Special Districts, of date 22nd October, 1913.

(4) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 22nd October and 26th November, 1913.

(5) Finance Committee, of date 5th November, 1913.

(6) Sub-Committee on Lanark Court-Houses, &c., of date 10th November, 1913.

(7) Executive Committee, of date 12th November, 1913

(8) General Purposes Committee, of date 12th November, 1913.

(9) Committee on National Insurance Act, of dates 19th and 26th November, 1913.

(10) County Road Board, of date 19th November, 1913.

(11) Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of date 26th November, 1913.

(12) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of date 31st October, 1913.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The meeting thereafter resolved, in accordance with the recommendations contained in the minutes of the Finance Committee, to borrow the following sums on the security of the rates chargeable therewith, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, in terms of the Statute, and it was remitted to the Finance Committee to obtain the amounts when required, and to fix the time or times within which they shall be repaid, and the meeting authorised the Convener, or Vice-Convener, and the Clerk to sign the minutes attached to the several applications, viz.:—

(*a*) £40 for the provision and erection of additional lamp-pillars and lamps at Burnhead and Hareleeshill, within the Larkhall Special Lighting District.

(*b*) £200 for the laying of pipes in connection with the introduction of gravitation water to Sandford Village, in the Parish of Stonehouse.

(*c*) £75 for a widening and improvement of Carmyle Avenue Highway at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland.

(*d*) £940, being additional cost of new slaughter-house at Baillieston.

(*e*) £100 for the widening and improvement of Overton Highway, in the Parish of Cambuslang.

(*f*) (i) £330, being additional cost of construction of sewers; and (ii) £120, being additional cost of construction of sewage disposal works, both within the Carmunnock Special Drainage District.

(*g*) £1,000 for the laying of a sewer for the drainage of the west end of Chryston, within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

(*h*) (i) £640, being additional cost of construction of sewers; and (ii) £330, being additional cost of construction of sewage disposal works, both within the Chryston and Muirhead Special Drainage District.

(*i*) £200, being additional cost of construction of sewers within the Rutherglen (Landward) Special Drainage District.

Request for Statement showing the value of land acquired by the County Council.—Amendment by Mr. Owen Coyle.

On the motion for the approval of the minutes, Mr. Owen Coyle moved, by way of amendment, under reference to the minutes of the Finance Committee, of date 5th November, that the request by Mr. D. Macmillan, Glasgow, for a statement showing the value of land acquired by the County Council be remitted back to the Finance Committee for further consideration, which was seconded by Mr. James Tonner.

Amendment lost.

A vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted against the amendment, which the chairman accordingly declared to be lost.

Colours of 2nd Royal Lanark Rifles.—Motion by Mr. Fenton.

The meeting, on the motion of Mr. Fenton, agreed that the minutes of the Finance Committee, of date 5th November, 1913, relating to the colours of the 2nd Royal Lanark Rifles should be read as approving *simpliciter* of the recommendation as to the disposal of these colours.

Minutes approved.

The meeting thereafter, subject to the foregoing resolutions, unanimously approved of the minutes of the several Committees and Sub-Committees, and of the County Road Board, above-mentioned.

Notice of application by Corporation of Glasgow for a Provisional Order authorising the Corporation inter alia *to construct extensions of their Tramway system.*

There was submitted a Parliamentary Notice of an application intended to be made in the ensuing session by the Corporation of Glasgow to the Secretary for Scotland for a Provisional Order authorising the Corporation, *inter alia*, to construct extensions of their tramway system within the Counties of Dunbarton, Lanark, and Renfrew, to carry out road improvements in connection with these extensions, to construct additional sewage works in connection with the Glasgow Main Drainage system, and to borrow a further sum of £120,000 for main drainage purposes.

Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

On the motion of the Convener, seconded by the Vice-Convener, the notice was remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee with power to take such action as might be necessary to conserve the interests of the County Council and the District Committees in so far as these might be affected by the provisions of the Order.

Communication from Under-Secretary for Scotland regarding celluloid articles.

There was submitted a communication from the Under-Secretary for Scotland, dated 16th December, 1913, directing the attention of the County Council to the report recently issued by the committee appointed by the Home Secretary to inquire as to the precautions necessary in the manufacture, storage and use of celluloid and celluloid articles, and representing in view of the nearness of the Christmas shopping season the advisability of issuing warnings to shopkeepers as to the special precautions which should be taken to guard against accidents in connection with the storage and exhibition of such articles.

Remit to Clerk to issue notices of warning to shopkeepers.

The meeting remitted to the Clerk to adjust a suitable Notice of Warning to Shopkeepers in the matter and instructed him to have the same distributed throughout the County.

Communication from Clerk to District Committee of Middle Ward regarding formation of Special Drainage District to include Carnbroe.

There having been submitted a communication from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, containing a resolution by the District Committee forming a Special Drainage District in the Parish of Bothwell to include Carnbroe, the meeting approved.

Document for signature.

There having been submitted for execution feu contract between Mrs. Emily Gertrude Lilias Stewart Grossett Muirhead Campbell, with consent, and the County Council, of the site of the proposed Slaughter-house at Baillieston, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to them the Common Seal of the County.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SELECTION COMMITTEE.

17th December, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 17*th December*, 1913, being a Meeting of the Committee of Selection appointed by the County Council the same day.

Present.—

James Anderson.	Gavin Hamilton.
William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Love.
William Davie.	William Speirs.
William L. Dyer.	Colonel King Stewart.
James H. Fenton.	Joseph Sullivan.
George Fraser.	James C. Hope Vere.

Colonel King Stewart, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The Meeting having proceeded to discuss the procedure to be followed in connection with the appointment of Committees, instructed the Clerk to send to each member of the Committee a list of the Committees still to be appointed shewing distinctively the names of persons who had now ceased to be members of the Council. *Instructions to Clerk.*

The meeting agreed that the next meeting of the Committee should be held on Tuesday, 23rd current, at twelve o'clock noon. *Next meeting of Committee fixed.*

SELECTION COMMITTEE.

23rd December 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Tuesday, 23rd December, 1913, being a Meeting of the Committee of Selection appointed by the County Council.

Present—

James Anderson.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Love.
William L. Dyer.	Robert Sharp.
James H. Fenton.	Colonel King Stewart.
George Fraser.	Joseph Sullivan.
Gavin Hamilton.	James C. Hope Vere.

Colonel King Stewart, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Apologies for absence.

Letters of apology were submitted from Mr. Speirs and Mr. Davie.

Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk read to the meeting the minutes of the informal meeting of the committee, which had been held on the 17th current subsequent to the meeting of the County Council, and the same were approved of.

Remit to Committee

The Clerk also submitted to the meeting the remit to the committee, as contained in the minutes of the County Council, of date 17th current, which was in the following terms, viz. :—

"The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of the appointment of other committees, quotas of committees, &c., agreed, after discussion, to appoint a Selection Committee consisting of the following fifteen members, to consider and make recommendations thereanent, viz. :—

James Anderson.	Gavin Hamilton.
William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Love.
William Davie.	Robert Sharp.
William L. Dyer.	William Speirs.
James H. Fenton.	Joseph Sullivan.
George Fraser.	Colonel King Stewart.

James C. Hope Vere.

"Colonel King Stewart to be chairman of the committee, and three a quorum.

"The meeting also agreed to remit to the above committee, pending the appointment of the various committees of the Council, to dispose of any matters requiring immediate attention."

List of Committees already appointed.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a list of the committees appointed at the meeting of the Council, held on 17th current, a copy of which he had sent to each member of the committee.

Committees still to be appointed.

He also laid before the meeting a list of those Committees which still fell to be appointed, as these stood at the expiration of the last Council's term of office, shewing distinctively the names of those persons who were not now members of the County Council.

Proposals to be further considered at next meeting of Committee.

The meeting having thereafter agreed to certain proposals with respect to appointments to Committees, instructed the Clerk to prepare and send to each member of the Committee a list shewing the proposals which had been tentatively agreed to, with a view to their further consideration at a meeting which it was agreed should be held on Tuesday next, 30th current.

Weights and Measures.—Salaries, &c., of Inspectors and Assistants.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of Salaries, etc., of the Inspectors of Weights and Measures, and wages of Assistant Inspectors, viz.—

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th January, 1914.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15 0 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13 6 8	
Inspector Paterson, ...	12 1 8	
		£40 8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 15th December, 1913.

Chief Inspector, ...	£5 12 0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6 8 0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	2 12 0	
		£14 12 0

Carry forward, ...

Brought forward, ...			
Inspectors' Expenses to 15th December 1913.			
Chief Inspector, ...	£2	18	8
Inspector Chrystal, ...	5	10	10½
Inspector Paterson, ...	2	5	3
		£10	14 9½
Account.			
De Grave Short & Co., Ltd.		£16	5 0
National Insurance.			
County's contribution in respect of Inspectors and Assistants,		£0	4 6
		£82	4 7½

The meeting agreed to pass the same for payment. *Payment authorised.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting information against Messrs. Warren & Hunter, Ltd., for an alleged offence against the Explosives Act, in respect of their having conveyed on a lorry a quantity of explosives in excess of the quantity allowed under the Acts and Orders without having the said lorry enclosed on all sides with wood or metal. *Explosives Act.—Contravention.*

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to transmit the information to the Procurator-Fiscal, with a view to proceedings being taken should he consider the circumstances justified this course. *Information to be sent to Fiscal.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a list of offers obtained by the Standing Joint-Committee for the erection of a new police station at Burnside, and explained that these had been checked by the Measurer, and that the committee were prepared to accept the lowest offer in each case. It had, however, been resolved by the County Council, at their special meeting on 11th June last, that before the offers for this police station were accepted they should be submitted to the Finance Committee for approval. Owing to the fluctuations in building prices, and other causes, the Architects were apprehensive that some of the offerers might withdraw their offers unless these were definitely accepted at once, and as there would be no meeting of the Finance Committee for some weeks, the Clerk desired the Committee's authority to accept offers now. *Burnside Police Station.—Offers.*

The committee authorised the acceptance of the offers. *Offers to be accepted.*

With reference to the construction of the new tramways between Bellshill and Uddingston, it was explained to the meeting that the County Council had recently purchased from the owner of the property at the corner of Main Street and Coal Road, Uddingston, a strip of his ground fronting the Main Street, with the object of widening that thoroughfare and improving the corner. There was at present situated on the ground acquired by the County Council a small confectioner's shop, tenanted by Miss Craig under a lease which did not expire until Whitsunday, 1915. The tramway lines came within a few feet of the floor of the shop, and in the interests of public safety it was desirable that the building should be demolished as soon as possible. The Clerk had had considerable negotiations with Miss Craig, and had finally ascertained that she was willing to renounce her lease for the sum of £50. From the information afforded him by Miss Craig, the Clerk was of opinion that the sum claimed was reasonable, and the Convener of the Tramways Committee concured in this view. *Tramways.—Payment to Miss Craig.*

The Clerk now requested the authority of the committee to settle with Miss Craig, as it was necessary for her to know the Council's intentions immediately, to enable her to secure new premises and make arrangements for removing. The committee agreed to the suggestion to pay Miss Craig the sum of £50, and authorised the Clerk to do so. *Payment authorised*

Cinematograph Act, 1909.

Shotts Public Hall.

The Clerk submitted an application by Mr. J. M. Nicholls, Glasgow, for a licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, in respect of the Public Hall, Shotts, and reminded the meeting that this hall had been licensed up to 12th November last, the licence being held by Mr. John Ellis, who had now gone to Forth.

A report by the Engineer regarding the hall having been also laid before the meeting, it was agreed to issue a licence for one year.

Applications for Renewal of Licences

The following applications for renewal of licences were submitted:—

Applicant.	Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence 1913.
Thomas Ormiston, Writer, Motherwell, for Bellshill Hall Company, Ltd.,	Electric Theatre, Bellshill,	December 18th.
Henry Hanlon, Cambuslang,	Old School, Newmains,	,, 20th.
James M'Burnie, Writer, Bellshill,	Pavilion Theatre, Mossend,	,, 22nd.
James George, Cambuslang,	Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang,	,, 31st

Renewals granted.

Satisfactory reports from the Police having been read, the meeting agreed to renew the above licences for one year, with the exception of that of the Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang, which the committee agreed to renew for three months meantime, as they were of opinion that a further inspection of hall was desirable before the licence was renewed for the full period of one year.

Transfer of Licence.

Public Hall, East Kilbride.

An application was also submitted by Mr. William Barr, East Kilbride, for transfer to Mr. Donald Campbell, hallkeeper, of the licence presently held by Mr. William M'Donald, Coatbridge, in respect of the Public Hall, East Kilbride.

The Clerk having reported that Mr. M'Donald had no objections to the transfer, and that the Police had stated that the entertainments had been satisfactorily conducted, the meeting agreed to transfer the licence to Mr. Campbell.

Applications for use of County Hall granted.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to grant the use of the County Hall, Hamilton, to the 6th Battalion Scottish Rifles (Cameronians), on the occasion of their annual ball, to be held on 27th January next; and also to the Association of Local Government Officers, who desired to have the use of the hall for a dance on the 31st January.

SELECTION COMMITTEE.

30th December, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon *Tuesday, 30th December*, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of Selection appointed by the County Council.

Present—

James Anderson.	Robert Lambie.
William Barr.	William Love.
Colonel Buchanan.	Robert Sharp.
James H. Fenton.	Colonel King Stewart.
George Fraser.	Joseph Sullivan.

James C. Hope Vere.

23rd December, 1913.

Colonel King Stewart, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the meetings of the committee of dates 17th and 23rd December, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of meetings.*

The meeting having resumed consideration of the remit made to the committee with respect to the constitution of committees, the Clerk submitted lists of the committees tentatively agreed to at last meeting, a copy of which he had sent to each member of the Committee. *Constitution of committees.*

The meeting, after further consideration, and having revised and adjusted the Lists of Committees, agreed to submit to the County Council the recommendations contained in the Memorandum, which forms an Appendix to this Minute. *Recommendation.*

The Meeting also agreed to recommend that each Committee should appoint its own Chairman and fix its own quorum, except in cases where the quorum is regulated by Statute.

In the Memorandum there is included, for the sake of reference, the List of the Road Board and Committees and quotas of Committees, &c., already appointed by the County Council.

The Clerk reported that he had received a letter from Mr. W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, narrating steps that had been taken by the three District Committees of the County since the question of the provision of Sanatoria, &c., for the treatment of Tuberculosis was last before the County Council, and which had resulted in a modification of the schemes originally submitted by the respective District Committees, and transmitting a copy of Heads of proposed Agreement to carry the arrangement into effect. *National Insurance Act.—Provision of Sanatoria.—Letter from Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.*

The Clerk indicated the general purport of the proposed arrangement which included *inter alia* provision for the utilisation, if approved by the Council, of Hairmyres Reformatory for the treatment of Tuberculosis, including Sanatorium and Work Colony. He further stated that the whole matter would fall to be considered by the Commitee under the National Insurance Act so soon as that Committee was constituted, but that as it was desirable that matters should be expedited so far as possible, he proposed to confer with the Local Government Board as to questions—on which he desired to obtain some assurance—in regard to participation in Grants under the National Insurance Act, both in respect of the Hairmyres Institution, and the District Hospitals already existing or in contemplation, which were being, or proposed to be, utilised in connection with Tuberculosis treatment, so as to be in a position to report to the Committee when the matter came before it. The meeting approved of the Clerk's proposal and authorised him accordingly.

The Chairman having referred to the death, which had occurred yesterday, of Mr. A. G. Barns Graham, the late Convener of the County, expressed regret that it would be impossible for him to attend the funeral. *Death of Mr. A. G. Barns Graham, late Convener of County.*

The meeting accordingly appointed Colonel Buchanan, Mr. James C. Hope Vere, Mr. William Speirs, and the Clerk, to attend the funeral as representing the County Council.

APPENDIX.

MEMORANDUM CONTAINING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEES.

*** County Road Board.**

J. P. BAIRD.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
WILLIAM K. JACKSON.
Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. C. M'KUNE.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.
THOMAS ARNOT.
WILLIAM BARR.
Colonel BUCHANAN.
JAMES CAMERON.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
W. W. CHAPMAN.
OWEN COYLE.
Rev. GEO. GOODFELLOW.
J. HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.
JAMES KELLY.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
JAMES PRENTICE.
ROBERT SHARP.
Colonel KING STEWART.
THOMAS WATT.
JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

*** Quota of Joint-Bridges Committee.**

JAMES ANDERSON.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
JAMES TONNER.

*** Quota of Lanark District Lunacy Board.**

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
JAMES H. FENTON.
JAMES HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.
JOHN JACKSON.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
JAMES PRENTICE.
Dr. ROBERTSON.
ROBERT SHARP.
GEORGE STALKER.
Colonel KING STEWART,
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

*** Members of Committee for Visiting Glasgow Prisons.**

J. RAESIDE AULD.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.

* Already appointed.

*** Quotas of Licensing and Appeal Courts.**

UPPER WARD.

I. Licensing Court.

J. P. BAIRD.
JAMES H. FENTON.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
COLONEL LOGAN.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

II. Appeal Court.

J. P. BAIRD.
JAMES H. FENTON.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
WILLIAM K. JACKSON.
SIR SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
REV. C. M'KUNE.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

MIDDLE WARD.

I. Licensing Courts.

District No. 1.

WILLIAM BARR.
JAMES CAMERON.
JAMES H. HOULDSWORTH.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
W. B. THOMSON.

District No. 2.

THOMAS ARNOT.
JOHN A. BEATTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
JOHN JACKSON.
WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES TONNER.

District No. 3.

CHARLES A. EASSON.
GEORGE FRASER.
REV. GEO. GOODFELLOW.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.

District No. 4.

COLONEL BUCHANAN.
W. W. CHAPMAN.
THOMAS DAVIE.
A. D. MACK.
ROBERT SHARP.
THOMAS WATT.

II. Appeal Court.

WILLIAM BARR.
COLONEL BUCHANAN.
GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES H. HOULDSWORTH.
JOHN JACKSON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
COLONEL KING STEWART.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.

LOWER WARD.

I. Licensing Court.

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

* Already appointed.

II. Appeal Court.

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
ARTHUR H. J. BRIGGS.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JOHN HURLL.
WILLIAM MACFARLANE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

*** Quota of County Insurance Committee.**

J. P. BAIRD.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES KELLY.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
Colonel KING STEWART.
JAMES TONNER.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.
Mrs. R. KING STEWART, Murdostoun Castle, Newmains.
Mrs. THOMAS F. WILSON, Flemington House, Uddingston.
Dr. M'NAY, Larkhall.
Dr. JOHN T. WILSON, County Medical Officer.

*** Quota of Glasgow Court House Commission.**

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JOHN HURLL.
Colonel LOGAN.
WILLIAM MACFARLANE.
JAMES PRENTICE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

*** Local Pension Committee.**

The Local Pension Committee consists of the whole of the members of the County Council.

*** Representatives to County Councils' Association.**

Colonel BUCHANAN.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
Colonel KING STEWART.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.
The County Clerk.

Quota of Standing Joint-Committees.

JAMES ANDERSON.
WILLIAM L. DYER.
GEORGE FRASER.
WILLIAM LOVE,
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.

* Already appointed.

Electric Lighting Orders.

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
THOMAS ARNOT.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
OWEN COYLE.
GEORGE FRASER.
JOHN JACKSON.
JAMES KELLY.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
JAMES PRENTICE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

General Purposes Committee.

JOHN A. BEATTIE.
WILLIAM BELL.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
Rev. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
JAMES H. HOULDSWORTH.
JOHN JACKSON.
Colonel LOGAN.
WILLIAM MACFARLANE.
A. D. MACK.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
WILLIAM SYM.
DAVID THOMSON.
JAMES TONNER.
JAMES. C. HOPE VERE.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Commlttee on National Insurance Act.

J. P. BAIRD.
Colonel BUCHANAN.
JOHN CAMPBELL
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES KELLY.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
Colonel KING STEWART.
JAMES TONNER.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Committee to Represent the Council as Local Authority under the Explosives Acts.

(1) For Lanark Justice of Peace District.

J. P. BAIRD.
JAMES H. FENTON.
WM. K. JACKSON.
Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

(2) For Hamilton Justice of Peace District.

THOMAS ARNOT.
WILLIAM BARR.
JOHN A. BEATTIE.
WILLIAM BELL.
JOHN CAMPBELL,
OWEN COYLE.
CHARLES A. EASSON.
JOHN JACKSON.
JAMES KELLY.
GEORGE STALKER.
WM. B. THOMSON.
JAMES TONNER.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

(3) For Airdrie Justice of Peace District.

W. W. CHAPMAN.
A. D. MACK.
JAMES PRENTICE.
ROBERT SHARP.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
DAVID THOMSON.
THOMAS WATT.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

(4) For Glasgow Justice of Peace District.

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JOHN HURLL.
WILLIAM MACFARLANE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Committee on Weights and Measures.

THOMAS ARNOT.
JOHN A. BEATTIE.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
W. W. CHAPMAN.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
CHARLES A. EASSON.
Rev. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
Colonel LOGAN.
WILLIAM LOVE.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
JAMES PRENTICE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES TONNER.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Public Health Committee.

JOHN ADAM.
THOMAS ARNOT.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
J. P. BAIRD.
JAMES CAMERON.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
Rev. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
JOHN HURLL.
JOHN JACKSON.
JAMES KELLY.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
WILLIAM LOVE.
A. D. MACK.
JAMES PRENTICE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
ROBERT SHARP.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
DAVID THOMSON.
JAMES TONNER.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Committee on Special Districts, &c.

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
JOHN A. BEATTIE.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
W. W. CHAPMAN.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
GEORGE FRASER.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
JOHN HURLL.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
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WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES TONNER.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.
THOMAS WATT.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

It is recommended that the above committee be entrusted with all the powers of the Council with respect to the formation of special lighting and scavenging districts, under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, and amending Acts.

Committees on Appeals Against Rates.

For the District of the Upper Ward.

JAMES H. FENTON.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
SIR SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
REV. CHRISTOPHER M'KUNE.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

For the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward.

THOMAS ARNOT.
JOHN A. BEATTIE.
JAMES CAMERON.
JOHN JACKSON.
JOHN M. LOUDON.
WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
DR. ROBERTSON.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

For the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward.

JOHN CAMPBELL.
W. W. CHAPMAN.
REV. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
A. D. MACK.
ROBERT SHARP.
DAVID THOMSON.
THOMAS WATT.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

For the District of the Lower Ward.

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
WILLIAM MACFARLANE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Committee under Inebriates Acts.

J. RAESIDE AULD.
WILLIAM BARR.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JAMES H. FENTON.
REV. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
WILLIAM LOVE.
DR. ROBERTSON.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting and Refuse Destructor Works.

OWEN COYLE.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
JAMES TONNER.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

J. P. BAIRD.
WILLIAM BARR.
JAMES CAMERON.
W. W. CHAPMAN.
CHARLES A. EASSON.
REV. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
JOHN HURLL.
JOHN JACKSON.
WILLIAM K. JACKSON.
SIR SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
JOHN M. LOUDON.
WILLIAM LOVE.
REV. CHRISTOPHER M'KUNE.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
DAVID THOMSON.
THOMAS WATT.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Under the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, this committee have all the powers of the Local Authority, except the power to impose a rate.

Finance Committee.

JOHN ADAM.
WILLIAM BARR.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
WILLIAM L. DYER.
GEORGE FRASER.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
JAMES H. HOULDSWORTH.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
COLONEL LOGAN.
A. D. MACK.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
ROBERT SHARP.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
WM. B. THOMSON.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.
THOMAS WATT.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

It is recommended that this committee be vested with all the powers which the County Council can completely delegate to them as a Finance Committee.

Valuation Committees.

Upper Ward.

J. P. BAIRD.
JAMES H. FENTON.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
WM. K. JACKSON.
WALTER LINDSAY.
Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel LOGAN.
Rev. CHRISTOPHER M'KUNE
ANDREW MURDOCH.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Middle Ward.

Colonel BUCHANAN.
WILLIAM L. DYER.
GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES KELLY.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
JOHN M. LOUDON.
WILLIAM LOVE.
A. D. MACK.
JAMES PRENTICE.
ROBERT SHARP.
GEORGE STALKER.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
DAVID THOMSON.
WM. B. THOMSON.

Lower Ward.

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JOHN HURLL.
WILLIAM MACFARLANE.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

The quorum of each of these committees is fixed by the Statute at three.

Committee for Managing the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark.

J. P. BAIRD.
JAMES H. FENTON.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
WILLIAM K. JACKSON.
WALTER LINDSAY.
Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart, M.V.O.
Colonel LOGAN.
Rev. CHRISTOPHER M'KUNE.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

This committee is drawn exclusively from the Upper Ward, according to Statute.

Committee for Managing Court Houses and County Buildings at Hamilton.

THOMAS ARNOT.
WILLIAM BARR.
WILLIAM BELL
JAMES CAMERON.
GEORGE FRASER.
JOHN JACKSON.
JAMES KELLY.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
WILLIAM B. THOMSON.
JAMES TONNER.

The number of this committee, so far as regards the Court Houses, is fixed by Statute, and members must be drawn from the Hamilton Sheriff Court-House District. The quorum, which is five, is also fixed by Statute.

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Elections Committee.

COLONEL BUCHANAN.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
SIR SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
COLONEL KING STEWART.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
WILLIAM SYM.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Business Committee.

The CONVENER, VICE-CONVENER, and the CHAIRMEN of the three District Committees.

Committee on Parliamentary Bills (also Special Committee under Unemployed Workmen Act).

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES H. HOULDSWORTH.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
SIR SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart., M.V.O.
WILLIAM LOVE.
A. D. MACK.
ANDREW MURDOCH.
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GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES TONNER.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

It is recommended that this committee be vested with powers to watch over and attend to Bills in Parliament or Provisional Orders, excepting those that the Council may remit to any other committee, and to take such steps thereanent as they may consider necessary, and to oppose or support any measure, local or otherwise, which, in their opinion, affects the interests of the County, and for these purposes to petition Parliament in name of the Council, and to employ agents and counsel and witnesses, and to do otherwise and farther in relation thereto as they may consider proper, and as the Council collectively could do.

Committee on Fire Brigades.

JOHN ADAM.
THOMAS ARNOT.
J. RAESIDE AULD.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.
JAMES CAMERON.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
OWEN COYLE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
JAMES H. FENTON.
GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES H. HOULDSWORTH.
JAMES KELLY.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WALTER LINDSAY.
PETER MACAUSLAN.
WILLIAM MACFARLANE.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
ROBERT SHARP.
WILLIAM SYM.
DAVID THOMSON.
WILLIAM B. THOMSON.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.
THOMAS WATT.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

Representatives on Secondary Education Committee.

JOHN ADAM.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
ROBERT SHARP.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
COLONEL KING STEWART.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

The above representatives continue to hold office until the committee are re-constituted by the Scotch Education Department.

Representatives on Lanarkshire Territorial Force Association.

COLONEL BUCHANAN.
GEORGE FRASER.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

These representatives were appointed by the Council at their meeting in October last, and will continue to hold office until a re-constitution of the Association takes place.

Representatives on West of Scotland Agricultural College.

GEORGE FRASER.
COLONEL LOGAN.
COLONEL KING STEWART.

Representatives on Clyde Navigation Trust.

JOHN JACKSON.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Mr. Jackson holds office until October, 1914, and Mr. Speirs until October, 1915.

Representatives on Glasgow Veterinary College.

WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
SIR SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, BART., M.V.O.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

These representatives hold office until June, 1915.

Representative on Glasgow and West of Scotland College of Domestic Science.

JOHN HURLL.

Representatives on the Marshall Trust.

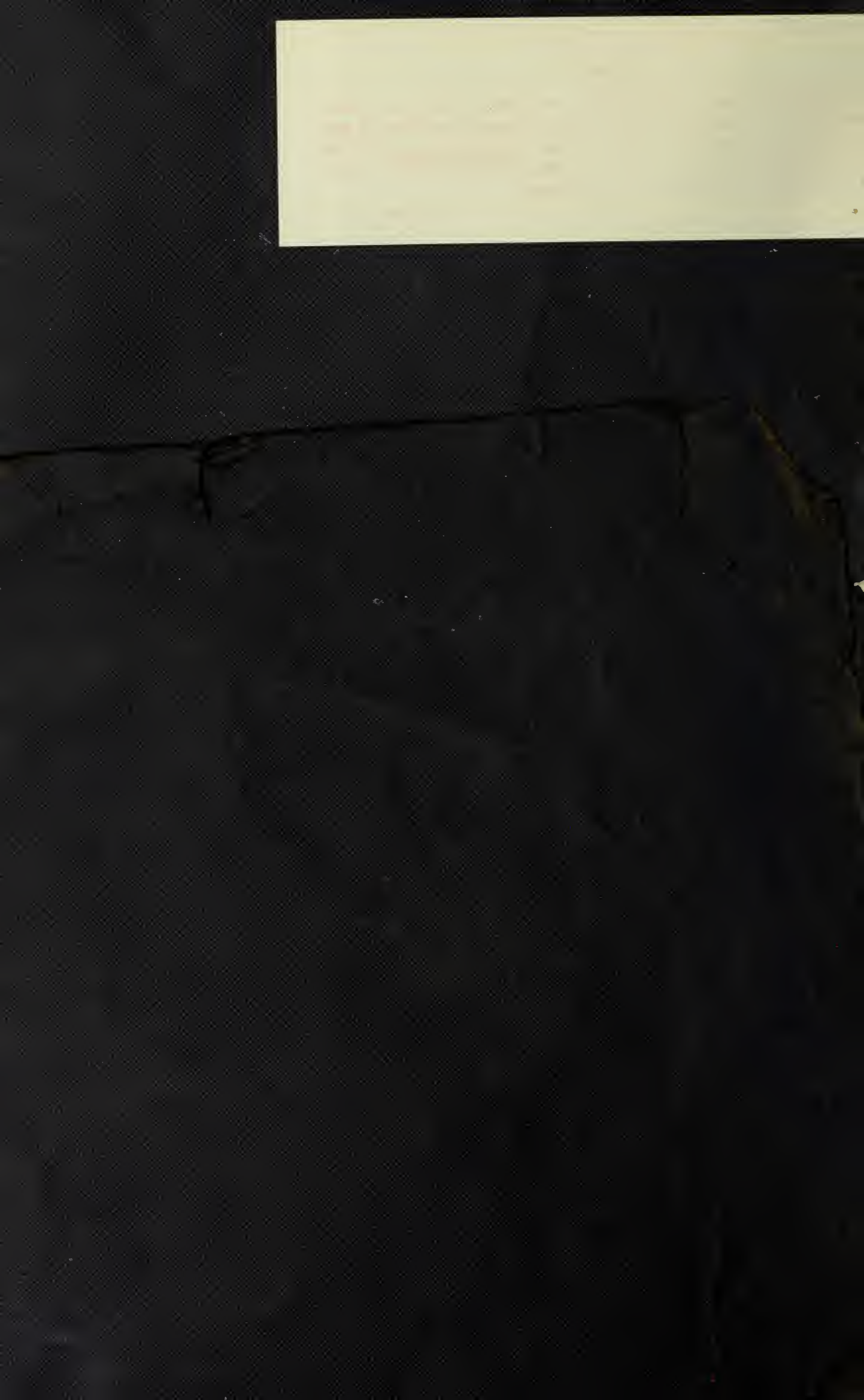
THOMAS ARNOT.
REV. C. M'KUNE.

These representatives hold office until 1st November, 1916.

NOTE.

Members are respectfully reminded that no valid Resolution to promote a Provisional Order or Private Bill can be adopted unless passed by an *absolute majority* of the whole governing body. It is hoped, therefore, that there will be a full attendance of members.

T. M.



COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, *26th December, 1913.*

SIR,

I am to request your attendance at a SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNTY COUNCIL of the COUNTY OF LANARK to be held within the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 7th proximo, at 2-30 p.m., or immediately after the meeting of the County Council to be held at 2 p.m. the same day,* for the purposes *inter alia* :—

(First) Of considering the Draft Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914, and if so agreed, resolving to confirm the resolution passed at the Special Meeting of the County Council, held on 17th current, approving, in compliance with the provisions of the Borough Funds Act, 1872, section IV., of the propriety of promoting, and of an application being made to the Secretary for Scotland for, an Order, under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for the following purposes :—

"To amend the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, in relation to the County of Lanark, and for other purposes";

and

(Second) Of considering and, if so agreed, resolving to oppose the following Provisional Order, viz. :—

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.)—To authorise the Corporation of the City of Glasgow to construct Water Works, Tramways and Street Works, to provide and run Motor Omnibuses, to construct Bridges, River Works, Sewers, and Railways; to borrow money; and for other purposes;

of all which notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899; the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889; the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91; and the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903.

I am,
SIR,
Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW

(ENTRANCE BY 40 WILSON STREET),

On WEDNESDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1914,

AT TWO-THIRTY O'CLOCK AFTERNOON,

or immediately after the Meeting of the Council at Two o'clock.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Notice of Meeting to be read.

   Submit Newspapers containing Public Notice.

4. Submit Minutes of Special Meeting of Council, of date 17th December, 1913.

5. Consider Draft Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914, and, if so advised, confirm Resolution passed at Special Meeting of Council on 17th December, to make application to the Secretary for Scotland, under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for a Provisional Order or Private Bill, under the following short title:—"Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914."

6. (*a*) Submit Print of the following Provisional Order:—"Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.)."

   (*b*) If so agreed, resolve to oppose the Order, and remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee, with the full powers of the Council, to take such action as they may consider advisable to secure the interests of the Council.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 17th December, 1913, being a Special Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notice, hereinafter inserted. 17th December, 1913

Present—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
John Allan Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Colonel Buchanan.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
William Macfarlane.
A. D. Mack.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
William B. Thomson.
James Tonner.
Thomas Watt.
William Bell.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.
Peter M'Auslan
William A. Thomson.

Colonel King Stewart, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

COUNTY OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *8th December*, 1913.

Sir,

I am to intimate that a Special Meeting of the County Council of this County will be held within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), upon *Wednesday*, 17*th current*, at Two o'clock p.m.—or immediately after the First Meeting of the Council, to be held at 1.30 o'clock p.m. the same day—for the purpose of approving, if so resolved, of an Application to the Secretary for Scotland, under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for a Provisional Order—

To amend the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, in relation to the County of Lanark, and for other purposes.

Of all which notice is hereby given, in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899; the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1889; the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91; and the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Newspaper notice of meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 5th curt., and of the *Hamilton Advertiser* newspaper, of date 6th curt., containing notice of the meeting, as required by statute, the notice being in the following terms:—

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Notice is Hereby Given, That a Special Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark will be held within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), upon Wednesday, 17th December, 1913, at 2 o'clock p.m.—or immediately after the First Meeting of the Council to be held at 1.30 o'clock p.m. the same day—for the purpose of approving, if so resolved, of an Application to the Secretary for Scotland under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for a Provisional Order—

To amend the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, in relation to the County of Lanark, and for other purposes.

Of all which Notice is hereby given, in terms of the Provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899; the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889; the Act 35 and 36 Vict. cap. 91; and the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 3rd December, 1913.

Lanarkshire Gas Order.

There was laid before the meeting a print of the Draft of the Lanarkshire Gas Order, as approved by the Parliamentary Bills Committee at their meeting on 26th November, 1913, on which, after consultation with the Parliamentary Agents, certain slight drafting amendments had since been made.

Draft Order approved.

The meeting, having considered the provisions of the Draft Order, Mr. Fraser moved that the County Council approve generally of the terms of the Draft Order, and further resolve, in compliance with the provisions of the Borough Funds Act, 1872, Section IV., to approve and hereby approve of the propriety of promoting a Provisional Order to carry its objects into effect, and of an application for an Order being made to the Secretary for Scotland for that purpose, which was unanimously agreed to.

Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

The meeting remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee to take such steps as they might consider advisable in furtherance of the promotion of the Order, and at the same time remitted to the Clerk to take such action in pursuance of the resolution of the Council as may be necessary to comply with the Statutes, or with the Standing or General Orders relating to the promotion of Private Bills or Orders.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

MEMORANDUM

ON THE

PROVISIONS OF THE GLASGOW CORPORATION (WATER, TRAMWAYS, &c.) ORDER.

This Order is being promoted by the Corporation of the City of Glasgow. It is divided into nine sections—Preliminary, Water, Tramways and Street Works, Motor Omnibuses, Bridges and River Works, Sewage, Merklands Cattle Wharf Railways, Lands, and Miscellaneous, and under it extensive powers are being sought by the Corporation for the construction of additional water works, the extension of their tramway system, the running of motor omnibuses, the erection of new bridges, the construction of a sludge main from Dalmarnock to Shieldhall, and other purposes.

The only sections of the Order in which, however, the County Council of the County of Lanark are interested are Sections 3, 4, and 6, dealing with the extension of the Corporation's tramway system; the proposal to run motor omnibuses; and sewage.

Tramways.

Under the provisions of Clause 22 of the Order, it is proposed to construct the following tramways:—

Tramway No. 1.—1 mile 7 furlongs or thereabouts in length, commencing in Stonelaw Road, in the Burgh and Parish of Rutherglen and the County of Lanark, by a junction with the existing tramways in that road, at a point 52 yards or thereabouts south-eastwards from the intersection of that road with Highburgh Drive; thence passing southward along that road and turning into and passing along East Kilbride Road, to and along Carmunnock Road, and terminating in that road, in the Parish of Carmunnock and the County of Lanark, at a point 2 yards or thereabouts south-westwards from the east entrance to Cathkin Braes Park.

Tramway No. 18.—1 mile 2 furlongs 2·82 chains or thereabouts in length, wholly in the Parish of Glasgow and the County of Lanark, commencing in Cumbernauld Road, in the City, by a junction with the existing tramways in that road, at a point 20 yards or thereabouts south-westwards from the intersection of that road with the north entrance to Barlinnie Prison; thence passing along that road, and terminating in that road, outside the City, at a point 15 yards or thereabouts south-westwards from the intersection of Avenue End Road with that road.

Tramway No. 19.—2 miles 3 furlongs 5·00 chains or thereabouts in length, wholly in the Parish of Old Monkland and the County of Lanark, commencing in Main Street, Baillieston, by a junction with the existing tramways in that street, at a point 76 yards or thereabouts north-eastwards from the intersection of that street with Dyke Street, Baillieston, thence passing along that street, Coatbridge Road, and Bank Street, Coatbridge, and terminating in that street, in the Burgh of Coatbridge, by a junction with the existing tramways of the Airdrie and Coatbridge Tramways Company, at a point 36 yards or thereabouts south-westwards from the intersection of that street with Woodside Street.

Tramway No. 18 will be situate entirely within the Lower Ward, and Tramway No. 19 will be in the Middle Ward, while Tramway No. 1 will be situate partly within the Lower Ward and partly within the Middle Ward.

In connection with these extensions, the Corporation propose, by Clause 23 of the Order, to carry out the following street works:—

Street Work No. 1.—An alteration of the levels of Stonelaw Road and East Kilbride Road, commencing in the Burgh of Rutherglen, Parish of Rutherglen, and the County of Lanark, at a point in Stonelaw Road 22 yards or thereabouts northwards from the north side of the bridge carrying the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Railway over that road, and terminating in the Parish of Cambuslang and the County of Lanark in East Kilbride Road, at a point 54 yards or thereabouts measured in a southerly and easterly direction from the south face of the said bridge.

Street Work No. 2.—An alteration of the levels of Burnside Road, wholly in the County of Lanark, and partly in the Parish of Rutherglen and partly in the Parish of Cambuslang, commencing at the intersection of that road with East Kilbride Road, and terminating at a point in Burnside Road 19 yards or thereabouts from the point of commencement.

Street Work No. 6.—An alteration of the levels of Coatbridge Road, wholly in the Parish of Old Monkland and the County of Lanark, commencing at a point 21 yards or thereabouts westwards from the west face of the bridge carrying the Mineral Railway (disused) over that road, and terminating in that road at a point 58 yards or thereabouts eastwards from the east face of the said bridge.

Street Work No. 7.—An alteration of the levels of Coatbridge Road, wholly in the Parish of Old Monkland and the County of Lanark, commencing at a point 25 yards or thereabouts westwards from the west face of the bridge carrying the Caledonian Railway, Drumpellier Branch disused), over that road, and terminating in that road at a point 60 yards or thereabouts eastwards from the east face of the said bridge.

All the tramways above referred to are proposed to be double lines.

The laying of these tramways will necessarily cause considerable interference with the roads, and with the various pipes and sewers belonging to the District Committees laid therein. It will also be necessary, in the interests of public safety, to carry out road widenings and improvements, particularly in connection with Tramway No. 1.

In this connection the Council are reminded of the finding come to by a conference of representatives of the County Councils of Dunbartonshire, Lanarkshire, and Renfrewshire, with reference to proposed extensions of the the Glasgow Corporation tramway system within these Counties, held on 30th July, 1913. The minutes of this conference were submitted to the County Council at their statutory meeting on 9th October, 1913. That conference decided that, as a condition precedent to consent to any extensions in future, and under full liberty of action by individual County Authorities as regards each application, the following general conditions ought to be observed, viz.:—

(1) Before any extension be consented to, an arrangement be made between the Corporation and the individual County concerned that any road widenings necessary for the safe and convenient conduct of the traffic of the day would be carried out by the Corporation, and the cost thereof borne by them.

(2) In view of the concentration of ordinary traffic on the macadamised sides of the roads leading to rapid deterioration of the macadamised surface, the Road Authority should be put in the position of being secured against any extra expense in the maintenance of the roads attributable to the super-imposition of the tramways, and the Corporation ought to satisfy the County Council that the roads would be made and kept wide enough for the traffic of the day; that there would be a real relief from the cost of maintenance falling on the Road Authority in consequence of the tramways of the Corporation and relative widenings and other alterations, and that any apparent relief would not be rendered illusory in consequence of extra expense for road maintenance devolving upon the Road Authority.

(3) That the Corporation should bear, and so free and relieve County and Local Authorities of any extra expenditure rendered necessary or expedient consequent upon the introduction of tramways.

The present proposals of the Corporation seem to raise the questions which were before the conference when the County Representatives laid down the conditions referred to, and as to which the response of the Corporation was not considered satisfactory. It will thus be necessary for the County Council to take steps to secure that the Corporation shall not be permitted to proceed with the construction of these tramways until the conditions prescribed by the conference are, as far as possible, given effect to. It will also be necessary to secure that the protective provisions which the County Council were able to have inserted in the Glasgow Corporation Tramways Consolidation Act of 1905 shall apply to the proposed tramways.

Motor Omnibuses.

By Clause 33, the Corporation seek power to run motor omnibuses in the City, and outside the City in the Counties of Lanark, Renfrew, and Dunbarton, and in any burghs therein. The fares to be taken are not to exceed the fares authorised by the Tramway Acts in respect of tramways. The powers in the section are not to be exercised outside the City without the consent, in writing, of the Local Authority of the District in which it is proposed to run motor omnibuses, but if the Corporation consider themselves aggrieved by any decision of such Local Authority they may apply to the Board of Trade, who may reverse or vary the decision of such Local Authority, subject to such conditions as the Board may think just. The motor omnibuses are to be deemed part of the tramway undertaking of the Corporation and the Tramway Acts are to apply as if motor omnibuses were tramway cars.

It will thus be seen that the powers sought by the Corporation are very wide, and may involve the adjoining Local Authorities in liability for road upkeep to an unknown amount.

It may be pointed out that, under the Glasgow Corporation Tramways Consolidation Act of 1905, the Corporation were authorised to run omnibuses in prolongation of any tramway route, the extension of which might be contemplated by the Corporation, but this power was not to be exercised beyond the radius of three miles from any point at which the tramway terminated, without the consent, in writing, of the Local Authority, subject to a right of appeal by the Corporation against the decision of the Local Authority to the Board of Trade, in terms akin to the similar provisions in the present Order.

It will thus be noted that the powers conferred upon the Corporation in 1905 were much more limited than the powers presently sought.

The burden of the excessive expenditure on the maintenance of roads due to heavy motor traffic is being felt in the County of Lanark, and the County Council cannot with equanimity regard the proposal that Glasgow Corporation should have an unrestricted right to run motor omnibuses over the County roads without proper provisions for the protection of the County interests. This proposal of the Corporation should not be agreed to, unless satisfactory terms can be adjusted.

Sewage.

By Clauses 42 to 46 of the Order, the Corporation seek powers to construct a new sludge main, for the purpose of conveying sludge from Dalmarnock Sewage Purification Works to Shieldhall Purification Works. The main is to form one undertaking with the other works authorised by the Sewage Acts, and is to cost £16,000.

By Clause 48 it is proposed to increase the Corporation's borrowing powers by £120,000—from £2,314,630 to £2,434,630. No information is given in the Order as to the reason for increasing the Corporation's borrowing

powers to this extent. The only capital expenditure on sewage works mentioned in the Order is the £16,000 above referred to, and this is a mere fraction of the £120,000 proposed to be borrowed. The borrowing powers of the Corporation were last extended by the Glasgow Corporation Act of 1909, from £2,164,630 to £2,314,630, or by £150,000. The County Council at that time objected to the proposed increased borrowing powers, but finally withdrew their opposition under an agreement whereby the period during which the Sewage Assessment within the Barony District of Lanarkshire—which was placed within the Glasgow Main Drainage Area under the Glasgow Corporation (Police) Order, 1901—should not exceed a maximum of 4d. per £, was extended for a further period of two years from 1911.

At that time the Corporation satisfied the County Council that the increased borrowing powers would not involve any material increase in the sewage rate for which parts of the County are liable.

The construction of the sludge main may or may not be a step tending to economy in dealing with the sewage of the main drainage area, but the County Council will require to be satisfied that the proposal is a prudent one. They will also require to be satisfied that the increased charge which additional borrowing will involve upon the sewage undertaking ought to be shared by the County districts within the main drainage area. So far it is not known that any increase of the main drainage works has been called for to meet the requirements of these districts, and if further expenditure to be met by the borrowing is being incurred for the needs of the City population alone, the County districts should obtain some protection, either by way of limitation of the assessment to be raised within them for sewage purposes, or otherwise.

By Clause 47 of the Order it is provided as follows:—

"47.—(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any public or local Act contained, every assessing authority in the City, and in any County, Parish, or Burgh, in which the sewers owned by or vested in the Corporation, shall exempt such sewers from all rates and assessments imposed and levied by such authority in the City, and in such County, Parish, or Burgh.

"(2) For the purposes of this section 'assessing authority' includes the Corporation, a Town Council, a County Council, a Parish Council, and every other body entitled to impose an assessment."

Until about two years ago sewers were not, in Scotland, regarded as liable to assessment, but at that time the Aberdeen case was decided, in which it was held that sewers were liable to be entered in the Valuation Roll, as heritable subjects, and to be assessed.

The clause is designed to get rid of the effect of this decision so far as the Corporation's sewers are concerned.

There are at the moment no sewers belonging to the Corporation of Glasgow within the County of Lanark, but the clause raises the important principle of the non-liability of public undertakings for assessment. If Glasgow Corporation are successful in establishing this principle so far as their sewers are concerned, it is not unreasonable to expect that similar exemption will be sought by other Local Authorities having sewers within the County, and the amount involved might ultimately be considerable. It is also to be remembered that if the principle is established as regards sewers it may be sought to be extended to gas and water-pipes. The question is one which should be settled rather by public statute than by a clause in a Private Act of an individual Corporation, and the proposal should accordingly be opposed.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *5th May, 1914.*

Sir,

I am to intimate that the Statutory May Meeting of the County Council will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, *on Thursday, 14th current, at Twelve o'clock noon,* for the purpose of receiving and disposing of the Minutes and Reports of Committees, and any communications from the District Committees, and of appointing Committees, Commissions, and Boards, so far as these fall to be then appointed.

Prints of the Minutes of Special Meetings of the Council held on 7th January, 1914, are sent herewith.

Prints of Minutes of Committees and of Reports, &c., will be sent to you before the date of Meeting.

I subjoin Notices of Motions which have been given to me.

The Meeting may take up any other competent business.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Notice of Motion by Mr. J. Raeside Auld, countersigned by Mr. Robert Lambie:—

"That a Committee, representative of the three Wards of the County of Lanark "be appointed to consider whether a re-adjustment of the areas of same "would be expedient, having regard to the altered conditions which have "arisen since the Wards were originally fixed."

Notices of Motions by Mr. John Campbell, countersigned by Mr. A. H. J. Briggs:—

(*a*) "That a Statement be prepared, showing the amount of Grants received from "Government towards the cost of the upkeep of roads in the County during "the past year."

(*b*) "That a Statement be prepared showing—

(1) "The saving effected under the new system of collection of County "Rates; and

(2) "The increased amount collected consequent upon the passing of the "House-Letting Act."

(*c*) "That the By-laws made by the County Council, of date 7th June, 1912, "regulating the assembling or procession of bands, &c., be now revoked."

Notice of Motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan, countersigned by Mr. Owen Coyle:—

"That the County Council of Lanark promote a Special Order or Petition "Parliament to get the necessary power to adopt Clause 246 of the Burgh "Police (Scotland) Act, 1892."

P.S.—A Meeting of the Standing Joint-Committee of the County will be held in the County Hall, Lanark, immediately after the Meeting of the Commissioners of Supply of the County, which is to be held on the same day, at Two o'clock p.m., for the appointment of a Chairman and Sub-Committees, and the transaction of other business.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE

COUNTY HALL, LANARK,

On THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 1914,

AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON.

AGENDA.

1. Chair to be taken.

2. Sederunt to be taken.

3. Statutory Authority for and Notice of Meeting to be read.

4. Minutes of the following Special Meetings of the Council :—
   (1) 7th January, 1914 (Appointment of Committees, &c.).
   (2) 7th January, 1914 (Parliamentary Bills).

5. Report of Consent by the Standing Joint-Committee.

6. Annual Report by Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

7. Reports of County Analyst under Food and Drugs Acts for quarters ending 31st December, 1913, and 31st March, 1914.

8. Reports of Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act for quarters ending 31st December, 1913, and 31st March, 1914.

9. Return of Expenses of Deputations, &c., for 1913.

10. Report by County Medical Officer for 1913 to be submitted in draft.

11. Reports by District Sanitary Inspectors for 1913 :—
    (1) Upper Ward.
    (2) Middle Ward (submitted in draft).
    (3) Lower Ward.

12. Minutes of the following Committees, &c. :—

(1) Fire Brigades Committee, of dates 7th January, 4th February, and 22nd April, 1914.

Sub-Committee, of dates 8th January, 26th March, and 1st April, 1914.

Meeting with representatives of Burghs, of dates 8th January and 26th March, 1914.

(2) Public Health Committee, of dates 14th January, 11th February, 11th March, and 22nd April, 1914.

Sub-Committee regarding Motor Car and Cycle Allowances, of dates 25th February and 11th March, 1914.

Joint Sub-Committee on remuneration of Inspectors under Rivers Pollution Act, Shops Act, &c., of date 29th April, 1914.

(3) Executive Committee, of dates 14th January, 18th February, 25th March, 22nd and 29th April, and 6th May, 1914.

Notes by Clerk on Wild Birds Protection.

Conference of County Councils regarding Foot and Mouth Disease, of dates 9th March and 23rd April, 1914.

Sub-Committee on Contraventions of Tuberculosis Order, of date 15th April, 1914.

(4) Parliamentary Bills Committee, of dates 14th, 21st, and 28th January, 4th, 18th, and 25th February, 2nd March, and 1st and 29th April, 1914.

Joint Sub-Committee on Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, 1914, of dates 31st January, 4th and 18th February, and 2nd March, 1914.

Sub-Committee on Lanarkshire Gas Order, of dates 11th and 25th March, and 1st and 8th April, 1914.

Sub-Committee on Lanark County Tramways, of date 22nd April, 1914.

(5) Committee on National Insurance Act, of date 14th January, 1914.

(6) County Road Board, of dates 21st January and 1st and 29th April, 1914.

Recommendations that the following roads be added to the Lists of Roads, Highways, and Bridges, made up in terms of Section 41 of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878 :—

MIDDLE WARD.

Parish of Dalserf—

Academy Street, from Muir Street, northwards, measuring 124 yards or thereby.

Parish of Old Monkland—

Carrick Drive, from the boundary with the District of the Lower Ward to the east boundary of feu of Villa, known as "Pilmar," at Mount Vernon, measuring 1 furlong 153 yards or thereby.

Lower Ward.

Parish of Glasgow—

(1) Mansion House Drive, from Hallhill Road to a point about 62 yards east from Albany Quadrant, a distance of 136 yards or thereby.

(2) Albany Terrace (including Albany Gardens and Victoria Gardens), from Mansion House Drive to Springboig Avenue, a distance of 1 furlong 8 yards or thereby.

(3) Windsor Street, from Springboig Road to Albany Terrace, a distance of 75 yards or thereby.

(4) Springboig Avenue, from Springboig Road to a point about 40 yards east from Albany Terrace, a distance of 122 yards or thereby.

(5) Albany Quadrant, from Mansion House Drive to the boundary wall of Hallhill Road, a distance of 44 yards or thereby.

Parish of Carmunnock—

Pathhead Road, from Kirk Road to Carmunnock Road, a distance of 192 yards or thereby.

Parish of Cadder—

(1) Springfield Road, from Kirkintilloch Road to a point about 128 yards east from Old Springfield Road, leading to Auchincairn, a distance of 3 furlongs 4 yards or thereby.

(2) Alexandra Avenue, from Victoria Road to Whitehill Farm Road, a distance of 203 yards or thereby.

(3) Victoria Road, from Whitehill Avenue to Alexandra Avenue, a distance of 118 yards or thereby.

Joint Committee on Road Grants, of date 27th January, 1914.

(7) Committees on Appeals against Assessments, of date 21st January, 1914—Hamilton and Airdrie Districts, of date 21st January, 1914; Upper Ward, of date 16th February, 1914; Airdrie District, of date 25th February, 1914; Hamilton District, of date 3rd March, 1914.

(8) Explosives Committee (Lower Ward District), of date 21st January, 1914.

(9) General Purposes Committee, of dates 28th January, 4th and 25th March, and 22nd April, 1914.

Conference of Burghs regarding Refreshment By-laws, of date 11th February, 1914.

Committee appointed by Conference, of dates 4th March and 15th April, 1914.

Sub-Committee on Cinematograph Act of date 18th March, 1914.

(10) Weights and Measures Committee, of dates 28th January, 25th February, 25th March, and 22nd April, 1914.

(11) Joint Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., of dates 28th January, 18th February, 31st March, and 1st and 22nd April, 1914.

(12) Finance Committee, of dates 4th February, 4th March, 1st April, and 8th April, and 6th May, 1914.

Submit communication from Shotts Parish Council regarding proposed erection of houses at Clcland and Harthill under the Housing of the Working Classes Act.

Regulations for the Government of District Com- Committees.

Resolutions to borrow the following monies, viz. :—

(*a*) £250 for extension of distributing pipe in Symington Special Water District.

(*b*) £1,100 for the introduction of supplementary supply to Crawford Special Water District.

(*c*) £250 for the erection of a gate lodge at County Hospital, Motherwell.

(*d*) £400 for erection of an attendant's cottage at County Hospital, Stonehouse.

(*e*) £30 for erection of additional lamps in Brownside Road, &c., Cambuslang, within the Cambuslang Special Lighting District.

(*f*) £54 4s. for erection of a public urinal at Bridge Street, Newton, within Cambuslang Special Scavenging District.

(*g*) £550 for the construction of sewage purification works, &c., in connection with the County Hospital, Bellshill.

(*h*) £2,400 for laying of water pipe from Hether's Bridge to Burngrange Bridge, in the Parish of Dalziel.

(*i*) £40 for construction of new road of access at Blantyre Sanatorium.

(*j*) £60 for completion of Superintendent's Office, &c., at Blantyre slaughter-house.

(*k*) £3,300 for the proposed construction of a new highway at Glenboig in the Parish of New Monkland.

(*l*) £2,500, offices in Clydesdale Street, Hamilton, cost of buildings and of improvements and alterations thereon.

(*m*) £1,100, being balance of cost of Cambuslang Police and Fire Station.

(*n*) £12,500, being cost of establishment of Fire Brigade.

(*o*) £550, being purchase price of Glenbank, Lenzie, for police constables' houses.

(*p*) £80 for widening and improvement of Meikle Earnock Highway at Meikle Earnock in the Parish of Hamilton.

(*q*) £250 for forming a connection from the Wishaw Main pipe to the pipes in Kirkfieldbank Special Water District.

(*r*) £430,000 for the construction of works authorised by the Lanarkshire (Middle Water District) Water Act, 1913.

(*s*) £45, being additional sum required to complete extension of piping to Sandford Village.

(*t*) £2,500 for the construction of new footpaths, for the year 1914-15.

(*u*) £160 for the construction of new sewer in Strathaven Special Drainage District.

(*v*) £34 for the substitution of gas lamps for oil lamps, and construction of new lamps in Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District.

(*w*) £1,600 for alterations on and additions to administrative block of Shotts Sanatorium.

(*x*) £5,930 (of which sum £3,440 is to be borrowed) for the construction of sewers and works in connection with Purification of Sewage from Baillieston Special Drainage District.

(*y*) £300 for making connection from Motherwell water-pipe to Roadmeetings Hospital.

(*z*) £130 for the purchase of property in connection with the County Sanatorium at Longriggend.

(*aa*) £448 for the erection of houses at Larkhall, under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts.

(*bb*) £10,729 for the erection of houses at Cleland under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts.

(*cc*) £20,854 for the erection of houses at Harthill under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts.

(*dd*) £3,000 for extensions of piping in Lesmahagow Special Water District.

(*ee*) £1,600 for alterations on and additions to the administrative block at the County Sanatorium, Longriggend.

(*ff*) £120 for the acquisition of additional ground at Cocksburn Reservoir under the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Acts.

(*gg*) £60 for the erection of a public urinal at Masonic Buildings, New Stevenston, within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Scavenging District.

(*hh*) £12 6s. 7d. for the taking over of a sewer in Victoria Street, Larkhall, within the Larkhall Special Drainage District.

(*ii*) £635 for the provision of (*a*) sewer in Cambuslang Road, from Dalmarnock Bridge to Menzies Place; (*b*) sewer in Cambuslang Road, from Eastfield to Blees Buildings; and (*c*) drainage for tenements in Baronald Street, within the Rutherglen Special Drainage District.

Joint-Committee on Airdrie Court Houses, of date 21st January, 1914.

(13) Committee on Special Districts, of dates 18th February, and 18th March, 1914.

(14) Committee on Hamilton Court Houses, &c., of date 3rd March, 1914.

(15) Committee on Lanark Court Houses, &c., of date 30th March, 1914.

(16) Explosives Committee (Airdrie District), of date 1st April, 1914.

(17) Explosives Committee (Hamilton District), of dates 13th March and 24th April, 1914.

(18) Joint Bridges Committee, of date 1st April, 1913.

13. Appoint the following committees, &c.—

(1) Quota (not exceeding seven) of Standing Joint-Committee.

(2) Executive Committee under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

(3) Finance Committee.

(4) Valuation Committees for the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards.

(The Committees appointed will be asked to appoint their chairman and fix their first meeting.)

(5) Committee on Lanark Court Houses and County Buildings.

(6) Committee on Hamilton Court Houses and County Buildings.

(7) The County's Quota of the Glasgow Court House Commission.

(8) Committee on Parliamentary Bills.

(9) Committee on Fire Brigades.

(10) Committees under the Explosives Act.

(11) Committee on Weights and Measures.

(12) Public Health Committee.

(13) Committee on Special Districts, &c.

(14) Committees on Appeals against Rates.

(15) Committee under Inebriates Acts.

(16) Quota of Joint-Committee on Cambuslang Electric Lighting and Refuse Destruction Works.

(17) Committee on Electric Lighting Orders.

(18) General Purposes Committee.

(19) Committee on National Insurance Act.

(20) National Health Insurance Committee for the County.

(21) Elections Committee.

(22) Local Pension Committee.

(23) Business Committee.

(24) Any other Committees whose remits have not been exhausted.

14. Communication from the Land Union, of date 2nd March, 1914, on the subject of the Town Tenants' Bill.

15. Recommendation by Standing Joint-Committee that application be made to the Secretary for Scotland for an additional constable for duty at Harthill, and also for an additional constable for duty at Newarthill.

16. Police—Revised Scale of Pay.

17. Communication from District Committee of Upper Ward, of date 13th March, 1914, regarding formation of part of Parish of Carstairs, embracing the village of Carstairs, into a Special Water District, and transmitting Sheriff's Interlocutor limiting the boundaries of the said Special Water District.

18. Communication from District Committee of Middle Ward, of date 28th April, 1914, regarding the enlargement of the Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District. so as to include an area at Torbothie.

19. Notice of motion by Mr. J. Raeside Auld—"That a Committee representative of the three Wards of the County of Lanark be appointed to consider whether a readjustment of the areas of same would be expedient, having regard to the altered conditions which have arisen since the Wards were originally fixed."

20. Notices of Motions by Mr. John Campbell:—

(*a*) "That a Statement be prepared showing the amount of Grants received from Government towards the cost of the upkeep of roads in the County during the past year."

(*b*) "That a Statement be prepared showing (i.) the saving effected under the system of Collection of County Rates, and (ii.) the increased amount collected consequent upon the passing of the House Letting Act."

(*c*) "That the By-laws made by the County Council, of date 7th June, 1912, regulating the assembling or procession of bands, &c., be now revoked."

21. Notice of Motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan—"That the County Council of Lanark promote a Special Order or Petition Parliament to get the necessary power to adopt Clause 246 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892."

22. Documents for signature:—

(1) Minute of Lease between William Christie and the County Council in connection with premises for Weights and Measures Office at Cambuslang.

(2) Disposition by the County Council in favour of the Blantyre Co-operative Society, Limited, in connection with Blantyre Old Police Station.

(3) Lease between the Trustees of late Robert Chapman and the County Council in connection with Police Station at Glenboig.

(4) Agreement between the Trustees for the Right Honourable Edward Arthur Baron Colebrooke and the County Council in connection with water supply for Crawford Special Water District.

(5) Lease between Alexander Frew and the County Council in connection with police station at Whiterigg.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 7th January, 1914, being a Meeting of the County Council of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the notice hereinafter inserted. 7th January, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
William Barr.
John Allan Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
George Fraser.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
Wm. K. Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
William Macfarlane.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
William B. Thomson.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.
John M. Loudon.
George Stalker.
William Bell.
William L. Dyer.
Charles A. Easson.
Patrick J. Agnew.
Thomas Davie.
Adam Smith.

Colonel King Stewart, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 26*th December*, 1913.

SIR,

I am to request your attendance at a MEETING of the COUNTY COUNCIL, to be held in the SHERIFF'S ORDINARY COURT, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GLASGOW (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on *Wednesday, 7th proximo, at Two o'clock p.m.*, to receive and consider the Minutes of the Committee of Selection (a copy of which will be sent), containing suggestions for the Constitution of Committees, and relating to other matters dealt with by that Committee.

A Print of the Minutes of the last meeting of the Council is sent herewith.

I subjoin Notices of Motions which have been received by me.

The meeting may take up and dispose of any other competent business.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Notice of Motion by Mr. Joseph Sullivan, countersigned by Mr. James H. Fenton.

"That the information referred to on page 59 of the Finance Committee's Minutes of 5th November, 1913, relative to price of land, etc., be supplied to members of the County Council."

Notice of Motion by Mr. A. H. J. Briggs, countersigned by Mr. John Hurll.

"That a Committee be appointed to consider the question of the preparation of the Register of Voters for the County, and to report."

Death of Mr. A. G. Barns Graham, of Lymekilns, late Convener of County.

Before proceeding with the business for which the meeting had been called, the Convener referred to the death of Mr. A. G. Barns Graham, of Lymekilns, who had been Convener of the County for ten years, and had rendered long and faithful service to the County. He moved that there be recorded in the minutes an expression of the Council's deep regret at the death of Mr. Barns Graham, and their sympathy with the family in their bereavement. The motion was seconded by Colonel Buchanan, Vice-Convener, and unanimously agreed to.

The Clerk was instructed to send to Mr. Allan Barns Graham an excerpt from the minutes of the Council containing this resolution.

Letter from Mr. William Neilson, late Vice-Convener of County.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. William Neilson, the late Vice-Convener, thanking the County Council for their kind expressions of appreciation of the services rendered by him to the County.

Knighthood for County Clerk.—Congratulations.

The Chairman said another duty he had to perform before proceeding to the business of the meeting was to congratulate their Clerk on the honour which the King proposed to confer on him. Sir Thomas Munro had served practically all his life with the County Council of Lanark. He came to them in 1892 as assistant to the late Mr. Alston Dykes, then he became County Clerk Depute, afterwards Joint County Clerk, and finally, on the retirement of Mr. Dykes, County Clerk. It was rather difficult for him to say what he and the other members thought of Sir Thomas Munro's very great abilities, but he could state that they all felt the honour had been well bestowed. That was not only because of Sir Thomas Munro's own merit and the work he had done for the County, but also because it was an honour to their Council, and not only to their Council, but to the County Councils throughout Scotland, for Sir Thomas Munro had the distinction of being the first County Clerk to receive a knighthood. His personal friends, too, would rejoice at the honour, and all would wish him long life and happiness to enjoy it, coupled with the hope that he might long continue with them as their Clerk.

Colonel Buchanan endorsed the Chairman's remarks, and said he had often seen honour come to a man late in life, but to their Clerk it came when he was still, if not in the heyday of youth, at least still in his prime. He was sure they all wished Sir Thomas Munro many years of strength and happiness.

Sir Thomas Munro, in acknowledging the congratulations, said he could assure them that he felt deeply at that moment the very kind words which had been spoken by the Convener and Vice-Convener to express the sentiments of his many friends in the County Council. Of course, if he did not look upon the County Council and the officials of the County Council and District Committees with whom he had been so long associated as friends and loyal supporters, he would not be so happy that day as he was. He thanked the Convener and Vice-Convener most heartily for the generous way in which their good-will had been expressed, and the members for the manner in which they had received the recognition proposed to be bestowed upon him. He was pleased that not only the County Council, but the public of Lanarkshire whom it had been his duty and privilege to serve for so long, and whom he trusted he would be spared to serve in the future, had received that recognition with the same approval. It had been a pleasure for him to work for the County Council, and he trusted that that recognition would be an incentive to future efforts on his part. As most of them knew, he found his main pleasure in public service, and he owed to the County Council and the public generally a debt of gratitude, and he trusted that any abilities he had would in the future be of advantage in furthering the interests of the Council, of which he was proud to be an official. He wished to take that opportunity of thanking not only the members of the County Council, but also his brother officials, as he had already done, and especially the members of his own staff, to whose loyalty he owed so much, and on whose work he so much relied.

King's medal for Chief Constable.

The Chairman said he was sure the members would join with him in congratulating Captain Despard, who had likewise received an honour from the King. Captain Despard had given twenty years' faithful service to the County, and it was very gratifying indeed that his services had been recognised by the proposal to bestow upon him the King's Police Medal. It was very pleasant indeed to see their officials being so marked out for official recognition.

Minutes of last meeting.

The Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council, held on 17th December, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Constitution of Committee of Council.—Recommendations of Selection Committee.

The meeting, having proceeded to consider the recommendations of the Selection Committee with respect to the constitution of Committees of the Council, resolved that the Committees, Quotas of Committees, &c., which now fall to be appointed, be constituted as follows, viz.:—

QUOTA OF STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE.

James Anderson.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
William Love.
Alexander Pillans.
William Speirs.
Joseph Sullivan.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING ORDERS.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
Thomas Arnot.
John Campbell.
Owen Coyle.
George Fraser.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.
Joseph Sullivan.
James C. Hope Vere.
Convener.
Vice-Convener.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

John A. Beattie.
William Bell.
James Cameron.
William Davie.
Nathaniel D. J. O. Gold.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
James H. Houldsworth.
John Jackson.
Colonel Logan.
William Macfarlane.
A. D. Mack.
William Speirs.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
David Thomson.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Convener.
Vice-Convener.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT.

J. P. Baird.
Colonel Buchanan.
John Campbell.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
James Prentice.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

COMMITTEE TO REPRESENT THE COUNCIL AS LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE EXPLOSIVES ACTS.

(1) *For Lanark Justice of Peace District.*

J. P. Baird.
James H. Fenton.
Wm. K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.
Convener.
Vice Convener.

(2) *For Hamilton Justice of Peace District.*

Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
John A. Beattie.
William Bell.
John Campbell.
Owen Coyle.
Charles A. Easson.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
George Stalker.
Wm. B. Thomson.
James Tonner.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

(3) *For Airdrie Justice of Peace District.*

W. W. Chapman.
A. D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Robert Sharp.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
Thomas Watt.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

(4) *For Glasgow Justice of Peace District.*

John Adam.
James Anderson,
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie
William Davie.
John Hurll.
William Macfarlane.
William Speirs.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

COMMITTEE ON WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Thomas Arnot.
John A. Beattie.
A. H. J. Briggs.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
William Davie.
Charles. A. Easson.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
William Love.
Andrew Murdoch
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton
James Tonner.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
J. P. Baird.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS, &c.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
John A. Beattie.
John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
George Fraser.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
Robert Lambie.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

The above Committee was entrusted with all the powers of the Council with respect to the formation of special lighting and scavenging districts, under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, and amending Acts.

COMMITTEES ON APPEALS AGAINST RATES.

For the District of the Upper Ward.

James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

For the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward.

Thomas Arnot.
John A. Beattie.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
John Jackson.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
Dr. Robertson.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

For the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward.

John Campbell.
W. W. Chapman.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
A. D. Mack.
Robert Sharp.
David Thomson.
Thomas Watt.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

For the District of the Lower Ward.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
William Macfarlane.
William Spiers.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

COMMITTEE UNDER INEBRIATES ACTS.

J. Raeside Auld.
William Barr.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
William Love.
Dr. Robertson.
Gavin A. Shanks.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND REFUSE DESTRUCTOR WORKS.

Owen Coyle.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks.
James Tonner.
Convener.
Vice-Convener.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

J. P. Baird.
William Barr.
James Cameron.
W. W. Chapman.
Charles A. Easson.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
William K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart. M.V.O.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
Thomas Watt.
Convener.
Vice-Convener.

In terms of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, this Committee were vested with all the powers of the Local Authority, except the power to impose a rate.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

John Adam.
William Barr.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
James H. Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Colonel Logan.
A. D. Mack.
Alexander Pillans.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
William Templeton.
William B. Thomson.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.
Convener.
Vice-Convener.

The meeting agreed that this Committee be vested with all the powers which the County Council can competently delegate to them as a Finance Committee.

VALUATION COMMITTEES.

Upper Ward.

J. P. Baird.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
Wm. K. Jackson.
Walter Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

Middle Ward.

Colonel Buchanan.
William L. Dyer.
George Fraser.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Robert Sharp.
George Stalker.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
Wm. B. Thomson.

Lower Ward.

John Adam.
James Anderson.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Walter C. B. Christie.
William Davie.
John Hurll.
William Macfarlane.
William Speirs.

COMMITTEE FOR MANAGING THE COURT HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT LANARK.

J. P. Baird.
James H. Fenton.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.
Gavin Hamilton.
William K. Jackson.
Walter Lindsay.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart, M.V.O.
Colonel Logan.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.
James C. Hope Vere.

COMMITTEE FOR MANAGING COURT HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT HAMILTON.

Thomas Arnot.
William Barr.
William Bell.
James Cameron.
George Fraser.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
William B. Thomson.
James Tonner.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE.

Colonel Buchanan.
Walter C. B. Christie.
Owen Coyle.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
James C. Hope Vere.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

The Convener, Vice-Convener, and the Chairmen of the three District Committees.

COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY BILLS (ALSO SPECIAL COMMITTEE UNDER UNEMPLOYED WORKMEN ACT.)

John Adam.
James Anderson.
William Bell.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
James H. Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
Andrew Murdoch.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
James Tonner.
James C. Hope Vere.

Convener.
Vice-Convener.

The meeting agreed that this Committee be vested with powers to watch over and attend to Bills in Parliament or Provisional Orders, excepting those that the Council may remit to any other Committee, and to take such steps thereanent as they may consider necessary, and to oppose or support any

measure, local or otherwise, which, in their opinion, affects the interests of the County, and for these purposes to petition Parliament in name of the Council, and to employ agents and counsel and witnesses, and to do otherwise and farther in relation thereto as they may consider proper, and as the Council collectively could do.

COMMITTEE ON FIRE BRIGADES.

John Adam.
Thomas Arnot.
J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
James Cameron.
John Campbell.
Owen Coyle.
William Davie.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
James H. Houldsworth.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Walter Lindsay.
Peter Macauslan.
William Macfarlane.
Alexander Pillans.
Robert Sharp.
William Sym.
David Thomson.
William B. Thomson.
James C. Hope Vere.
Thomas Watt.
Convener.
Vice-Convener.

REPRESENTATIVES ON SECONDARY EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

John Adam.
Alexander Pillans.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Templeton.

It was agreed that the above representatives should continue to hold office until the Committee was reconstituted by the Scotch Education Department.

REPRESENTATIVES ON LANARKSHIRE TERRITORIAL FORCE ASSOCIATION.

Colonel Buchanan.
George Fraser.
James C. Hope Vere.

It was agreed that the representatives should continue to hold office until a reconstitution of the Association takes place.

REPRESENTATIVES ON WEST OF SCOTLAND AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

George Fraser.
Colonel Logan.
Colonel King Stewart.

REPRESENTATIVES ON CLYDE NAVIGATION TRUST.

John Jackson.
William Speirs.

Under reference to the terms of the Clyde Navigation (Reconstitution) Act, 1905, it was agreed that Mr. Jackson should hold office until October, 1914, and Mr. Speirs until October, 1915.

REPRESENTATIVES ON GLASGOW VETERINARY COLLEGE.

Walter C. B. Christie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
James Cameron.

It was agreed that these representatives should hold office until June, 1915.

REPRESENTATIVE ON GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND COLLEGE OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE.

John Hurll.

REPRESENTATIVES ON THE MARSHALL TRUST.

Thomas Arnot.
Rev. C. M'Kune.

It was agreed that these representatives should hold office until 1st November, 1916.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed that each Committee should appoint its own Chairman and fix its own quorum, except in cases where the quorum is regulated by Statute.

The meeting approved of the recommendation relative to other matters contained in the minutes of the Committee of Selection above referred to.

Motion by Mr. Sullivan regarding price of land, &c.

In accordance with the Notice of Motion given by him, Mr. Joseph Sullivan moved "That the information referred to on page 59 of the Finance Committee's Minutes of 5th November, 1913, relative to price of land, &c., be supplied to members of the County Council," which was seconded by Mr. James Tonner.

The motion, having been put to the meeting, was agreed to, and it was remitted to the Clerk to prepare a Statement containing the information desired, and to submit the same to the Finance Committee, with a view to its being laid before the Council at a future meeting.

Motion by Mr. A. H. J. Briggs, regarding Register of Voters.

In terms of the Notice of Motion given by him, Mr. A. H. J. Briggs moved "That a Committee be appointed to consider the question of the preparation of the Register of Voters for the County, and to report," which was seconded by Mr. John Hurll, and the motion, having been put to the meeting, was agreed to.

The meeting thereafter remitted to the Elections Committee to consider the matter and report, and it was agreed that the names of Mr. Briggs and Mr. Hurll be added to the Committee for this purpose.

Standing Orders.—Remit to Business Committee.

It was agreed to remit to the Business Committee to consider the question of the revision of the Standing Orders of the Council and Committees, and to submit a Report making such recommendations as to their amendment as may seem to them proper.

Document for execution.

There having been submitted for execution Contract between Messrs. William Downs & Sons and the County Council for the joiner work of the new Police Station at Burnside, the meeting authorised any two members of the Council and the Clerk to sign the same in the name and on behalf of the County Council, and instructed the Clerk to attach to it the common seal of the County.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 7th January, 1914, being a Special General Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, intimated and called in terms of the Notices hereinafter inserted. 7th January, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Rev. C. M'Kune.
James Anderson.	A. D. Mack.
Thomas Arnot.	Alexander Pillans.
J. Raeside Auld.	James C. Pollok.
William Barr.	Gavin A. Shanks.
John Allan Beattie.	Robert Sharp.
A. H. J. Briggs.	William Speirs.
Colonel Buchanan.	Colonel King Stewart.
James Cameron.	Joseph Sullivan.
John Campbell.	William Sym.
Walter C. B. Christie.	William Templeton.
Owen Coyle.	David Thomson.
William Davie.	W. B. Thomson.
George Fraser.	James Tonner.
Rev. G. Goodfellow.	James C. Hope Vere.
Gavin Hamilton.	Thomas Watt.
John Hurll.	John. M. Loudon.
John Jackson.	George Stalker.
Wm. K. Jackson.	William Bell.
James Kelly.	William L. Dyer.
Robert Lambie.	Charles A. Easson.
Colonel Logan.	Patrick J. Agnew.
William Love.	Thomas Davie.
Wm. Macfarlane.	Adam Smith.

Colonel King Stewart, of Murdostoun, Convener of the County, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Notice calling meeting.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *26th December, 1913.*

Sir,

I am to request your attendance at a Special Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark to be held within the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by

40 Wilson Street), *on Wednesday, 7th proximo, at 2-30 p.m., or immediately after [the meeting of the County Council to be held at 2 p.m. the same day,* for the purposes *inter alia*:—

(First) Of considering the Draft Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914, and if so agreed, resolving to confirm the resolution passed at the Special Meeting of the County Council, held on 17th current, approving, in compliance with the provisions of the Borough Funds Act, 1872, section IV., of the propriety of promoting, and of an application being made to the Secretary for Scotland for, an Order, under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for the following purposes:—

"To amend the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, in relation to the County of Lanark, and for other purposes";

and

(Second) Of considering and, if so agreed, resolving to oppose the following Provisional Order, viz.:—

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.)—To authorise the Corporation of the City of Glasgow to construct Water Works, Tramways and Street Works, to provide and run Motor Omnibuses, to construct Bridges, River Works, Sewers, and Railways; to borrow money; and for other purposes;

of all which notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899; the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889; the Act 35 and 36 Vict., cap. 91; and the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Newspaper Notices of Meeting.

The Clerk also laid before the meeting copies of the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of 26th December, 1913, and of *The Hamilton Advertiser* and *Lanarkshire* newspapers of 27th December, 1913, containing notice of the meeting, as required by statute, the notice being in the following terms, viz.:—

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Special Meeting of the County Council of the County of Lanark, will be held in the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, County Buildings, Glasgow (entrance by 40 Wilson Street), on Wednesday, 7th proximo, at 2.30 p.m. or immediately after the meeting of the County Council to be held at 2 p.m. the same day, for the purposes *inter alia*,

First.—Of considering the Draft Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914, and, if so agreed, resolving to confirm the resolution passed at the Special Meeting of the County Council, held on 17th current, approving, in compliance with the provisions of the Borough Funds Act, 1872, Section IV., of the propriety of promoting, and of an application being made to the Secretary for Scotland for, an Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, for the following purposes:—

To amend the Burghs Gas Supply (Scotland) Act, 1876, in relation to the County of Lanark, and for other purposes; and

Second.—Of considering and, if so agreed, resolving to oppose the following Provisional Order, viz.:—

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.)—To authorise the Corporation of the City of Glasgow to construct water-works, tramways and street works, to provide and run motor omnibuses, to construct bridges river works, sewers, and railways; to borrow money; and for other purposes.

Of all which notice is hereby given in terms of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899; the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889; the Act 35 and 36 Vict. Cap. 91; and the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

County Offices, Hamilton,
26th December, 1913.

Lanarkshire Gas Order.—Minutes of Special Meeting of County Council.

The minutes of the special general meeting of the County Council held on 17th December, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Council, having been submitted, were approved of as correct, and signed.

Resolution approving of propriety of promoting Order confirmed.

The meeting unanimously confirmed and hereby confirm the resolution passed at the special general meeting of the Council, held on 17th December, 1913, in compliance with the provisions of the Borough Funds Act, 1872, the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, and the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903, approving of the propriety of promoting a Provisional Order to carry into effect the objects of the Draft Order intituled "Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914," of which a print had been submitted to and considered by the County Council at that meeting.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a print of the following Provisional Order, for which application had been made to the Secretary for Scotland, viz.:—

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.)

Memorandum on provisions of Order.

He also submitted a Memorandum on the provisions of the Draft Order, which had been prepared and printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council.

Resolution to oppose Order.—Remit to Parliamentary Bills Committee.

On the motion of Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the meeting unanimously agreed to oppose the Order, and remitted to the Parliamentary Bills Committee, with full powers, to take such steps as they may consider advisable to carry out the resolution, and with full authority to exercise the powers of the Council, in the matter of giving or withholding their consent to the Order as they may consider advisable in the interests of the Council, or to adjust with the promoters satisfactory clauses for the protection of the County Council and District Committees in the event of circumstances permitting of an amicable settlement.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF THE STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, IN PURSUANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889, IN RELATION TO CAPITAL WORKS, AND TO THE BORROWING OF THE SUMS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENSE THEREOF.

Since the date of their Report of Consent made to the County Council at the meeting of the Council, held on 17th December last, the Standing Joint-Committee have given their consent to the following capital works, and to the borrowing of the sums aftermentioned for the respective capital works referred to, so far as it may be found necessary to borrow the same, and that by way of loans, to be repaid within the periods prescribed by the several Statutes administered by the County Council, the loans and interest thereof in each case to be charged to the appropriate rates levied in the several districts aftermentioned, viz.:—

The County.

(1) Clydesdale Street, Hamilton Offices — Cost of buildings and of improvements and alterations thereon, £2,500.

(2) Cambuslang Police and Fire Station—Balance of cost, £1,100.

(3) Fire Brigade—Cost of establishment, £12,500.

(4) Police—Purchase of Glenbank, Lenzie.

(5) Construction of new highway at Glenboig in the Parish of New Monkland, at an estimated cost of £3,300.

Upper Ward.

(1) Extension of distributing pipe in Symington Water District, at an estimated cost of £250.

(2) Forming a connection from the Wishaw main pipe to the pipes in Kirkfieldbank Special Water Supply District, to provide a supplementary supply in said Special District, at an estimated cost of £250.

(3) Introduction of supplementary supply to Crawford Special Water Supply District, at an estimated cost of £1,100.

Middle Ward.

(1) Laying of an 8-inch water pipe from Kether's Bridge to Burngrange Bridge in the Parish of Dalziel, £2,400.

(2) Erection of a public urinal at Bridge Street, Newton, within the Cambuslang Special Scavenging District, £54 4s.

(3) Erection of additional lamps in Brownside Road, &c., within the Cambuslang Special Lighting District, £30.

(4) Construction of sewage purification works, &c., in connection with the County Hospital, Bellshill, £550.

(5) Erection of an attendant's cottage at the County Hospital, Stonehouse, £400.

(6) Erection of a gate lodge at the County Hospital, Motherwell, £250.

(7) Erection of workmen's houses at Raploch, Larkhall, in the parish of Dalserf, £400.

(8) Widening and improvement of Meikle Earnock Highway, at Meikle Earnock, in the Parish of Hamilton, £80.

(9) Construction of new road of access at Blantyre Sanatorium, at an estimated cost of £40.

(10) Completion of works in connection with erection of Superintendent's Office, &c., at Blantyre Public Slaughter House, £60.

(11) Works authorised by Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order Confirmation Act, 1913, £430,000.

(12) Additional sum required to complete extension of piping to Sandford Village, £45.

(13) Construction of new footpaths, at an estimated cost of £2,500.

(14) Construction of new sewer in Strathaven Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £160.

(15) Substitution of gas lamps for oil lamps, and construction of new lamps in Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting Department, at an estimated cost of £34.

(16) Alteration on and additions to administrative block at Shotts Sanatorium, in order to provide increased accommodation for Staff, and a dining-hall for patients, at an estimated cost of £1,600.

(17) Construction of outfall and intercepting sewers and works in connection with Baillieston Special Drainage District, at an estimated cost of £5,930, of which £3,440 is to be borrowed.

The Committee have also given their consent to the undertaking of the following capital works, viz.:—

Middle Ward.

(1) Improvement of the Carmyle Avenue Highway, at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland, at an estimated cost of £40.

(2) Widening and improvement of the Motherwell Highway, at Carfin, in the Parish of Bothwell, at an estimated cost of £35.

(3) Widening and improvement of Newmill Highway, near Laighstonehall, in the Parish of Hamilton, at an estimated cost of £35.

(4) Stonehouse Sanatorium—Acquisition of remainder of lands of Tofts (including farm buildings thereon) extending to about 11 acres, the feu-duty being £5 per acre.

Lower Ward.

Erection of new lamps within the Millerston and Stepps Lighting District, at an estimated cost of £7 8s.

GEORGE FRASER,

J. C. HOPE VERE,

Two Members of the Standing Joint-Committee.

THOS. MUNRO,

County Clerk.

May, 1914.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

REPORT OF CONSENT

BY THE

STANDING JOINT-COMMITTEE

TO

CAPITAL WORKS AND BORROWING

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

STATUTORY MEETING OF COUNTY

COUNCIL

ON

THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 1914.

SIR THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

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COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS, 1878 to 1904.

REPORT

BY THE

CHIEF INSPECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,

For the Year ending 31st March, 1914.

County of Lanark Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street. Wishaw, *April*, 1914.

To the

Weights and Measures Committee
of the County Council of Lanark.

Gentlemen,

In accordance with No. 10 of the Regulations made by the Board of Trade, pursuant to the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, I herewith beg to submit the Report of the Weights and Measures Department for the year ending 31st March, 1914.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS, 1878 TO 1904.

Out-door Inspection.

In the course of the year, the Inspectors made 4,485 visits to shops and other places of business, and examined 61,725 weights, measures, and weighing instruments, on which I have to report as follows:—35,757 weights, 18,092 measures, and 6,463 weighing instruments were correct; and 706 weights, 222 measures, and 485 weighing instruments required adjusting. Three traders having weighing instruments very much out of order, were reported for prosecution. In each case a conviction was obtained, and fines amounting to £3 10s. were imposed.

At the railway depots, collieries, quarries, and elsewhere, the weigh-bridges used for the sale of coal, &c., were examined and tested. The Inspectors made 365 visits and tested 365 machines, of these, 343 were in good working order and 22 required adjusting or repairs.

In-door Department.

The number of weights, measures, and weighing instruments submitted for verification during the year was 28,500. In the offices and stamping stations 23,369 weights and 733 measures were stamped; of which, 23,337 weights and 290 measures were adjusted. On makers' and traders' premises and in the offices and stamping stations 901 weighing instruments were verified and stamped. 1,885 weights, 866 measures, and 379 weighing instruments, being correct and already stamped, were returned; no fees being charged for these. 199 weights, 48 measures, and 120 weighing instruments were rejected, being incorrect, or not conform to the Regulations, or unfit for further use.

Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887.

As required by Statute, the weighing machines at the collieries which are used for determining the wages of miners were examined and tested. The Inspectors made 570 visits and tested 610 machines, with the result that 582 were found correct, and 28 required adjusting or repairs.

Market and Fairs Act, 1887.

The weighing machines at the auction marts at Wishaw, Lanark, Biggar and Strathaven, were tested half-yearly, and found in good order.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

Under Section 430 of this Act a number of made-up articles which were kept or exposed for sale were weighed or measured in 373 shops and other places of business. In a few instances there were deficiencies in the weight or measure represented. In cases where the deficiencies appeared to arise accidentally rather than with any deliberate intention to defraud the public, the offenders were cautioned by the Inspectors.

During the year fourteen notices referring to the examination and testing of patterns of weighing and measuring instruments, submitted to the Board of Trade under Section 6 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, have been received from the Deputy Warden of the Standards. In thirteen instances a certificate of approval was granted, and in one instance it was refused.

Statistical tables are appended, giving details of the work done, together with a summary of the prosecutions and a statement of income and expenditure for the year.

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

TABLE A.

Summary of Out-door Inspection.

Number of Places liable to Inspection.	Number of Places visited.	Number visited once.	Number visited more than once.	Total Number of Visits.	Classification of Weights Examined.						Classification of Measures Examined.								Classification of Weighing Instruments Examined.										
												Capacity.																	
												Liquid.																	
					Avoir.	Troy.	Apoth.	Decimal Grain.	Metric.	Total.	Length.	Metal.	Earthenware.	Glass.	Apoth.	Dry.	Metric.	Total.	Beam-Scales.	Counter Machines.	Steelyards.	Spring Balances.	Dead-Weight Machines.	Platform Machines.	Weigh-bridges.	Other Instruments.	Metric.	Total.	
About 6,000	4,074	3,663	411	4,485	34,946	354	1141	...	22	36 463	243	7,401	...	10,303	367	...	...	18.314	3,681	1,570	43	87	292	270	1003	2	...	6,948	Examined.
..	...	...	...	...	34,257	354	1124	...	22	35,757	237	7,249	...	10,243	363	...	...	18,092	3,461	1,470	43	78	274	245	890	2	...	6,463	Correct.
...	...	...	...	..	689	...	17	...	...	706	6	152	...	60	4	...	...	222	220	100	...	9	18	25	113	...	...	485	Incorrect.

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Particulars of Prosecutions.

No.	Trade.	Nature of Offence.	Act and Section.	Result.
1	Butcher,	Unjust Weighing Instruments.	Weights and Measures Act, 1878, Section 25,	Fined 10s. or five days.
2	Grocer,	Do.,	Do.,	Fined 10s. or seven days.
3	Do.,	Do.,	Do..	Fined 50s. or twenty days.

TABLE B.

Summary of In-door Verification.

Classification of Weights Stamped.						Classification of Measures Stamped.							Classification of Weighing Instruments Stamped.									
							Capacity.															
							Liquid.															
Avoir.	Troy.	Apoth.	Decimal Grain.	Metric.	Total.	Length.	Metal.	Earthenware.	Glass.	Apoth.	Dry.	Metric.	Total.	Beam-Scales.	Counter Machines.	Steelyards.	Spring Balances.	Dead-Weight Machines.	Platform Machines.	Weigh-bridges.	Other Instruments.	Metric.	Total.
23,369	...	...	...	...	23,369	2	731	...	...	...	...	...	733	379	143	7	1	32	82	256	1	...	901

Number of Weights, Measures, and Weighing Instruments Rejected, and Number of Weights and Measures Adjusted by the Inspectors.

Rejected.			Adjusted by the Inspectors.	
Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures
199	48	120	23,337	290

Abstract of Fees received.

Stamping Fees.																				
Weights.			Measures of Length.			Measures of Capacity.						Weighing Instruments.			Adjusting Charges.			Miscellaneous.			Total.		
						Glass.			Earthenware.			Other Measures.											
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116	1	2½	0	0	4	...			...			5	7	5	127	7	3	190	1	0	36	4	8	475	1	10½

STAFF.

Name of Inspector of Weights and Measures.	Number of Local Verification Stamp.	Date of Appointment.	Number of Certificate of Qualification.	Other Occupation (if any).	Salary of Inspector of Weights and Measures.
Andrew Mitchell *(Chief)*, -	25	January, 1891,	179	...	£180
Robert Chrystal, - - -	24	Do.,	144	...	£160
Joseph Paterson, - - -	23	October, 1908.	1,054	...	£145

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

From 1st April, 1913, to 31st March, 1914.

INCOME.

Fees—Adjusting, Verifying, and Stamping Weights and Measures, ...	£311	9	11½
Fees—Verifying and Stamping Weighing Instruments, ...	127	7	3
Fees—Production of Standards, ...	14	4	8
Received from Burgh of Lanark, ...	10	0	0
,, ,, Rutherglen, ...	12	0	0
Balance, ...	560	4	5½
	£1,035	6	4

EXPENDITURE.

Inspectors' Salaries and National Insurance Contributions, ...	£507	1	7
Assistants' Wages, ...	224	18	0
Travelling Expenses, ...	66	16	6½
Hires for Collieries, &c., ...	73	4	7
Rents, Taxes, and Insurance, ...	103	19	10½
Furnishings and Repairs, ...	6	12	7
Stationery and Printing, ...	6	7	2
Lead for Adjusting Weights, ...	1	19	6½
Coal and Gas, ...	5	18	1½
Postage, ...	5	18	2½
Re-Verification of Weights and Measures, ...	9	17	5
,, ,, Scale Beams, ...	19	15	2
Petty Expenses, ...	2	17	6½
	£1,035	6	4

SALE OF FOOD AND

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REPORT by the PUBLIC ANALYST upon the Articles analysed

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
371	Oct. 1	Lanark County Council,	Carnwath, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
372	,, 1	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
373	,, 1	Do..	Do., ...	Cod Liver Oil, ...	Do.,	... ...
376	,, 1	Do.,	Lanark, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
378	,, 1	Do.,	Overtown, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
379	,, 1	Do.,	Do., ...	Rice, ...	Do.,	... ...
380	,, 1	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
381	,, 1	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	.. ..
387	,, 7	Do.,	Farme, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
388	,, 7	Do.,	Eastfield, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
389	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
390	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids 6 per cent.
391	,, 7	Do.,	Cambuslang,...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
392	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
393	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
394	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
395	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
397	,, 9	Do.,	Wilsontown, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
400	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
402	,, 9	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
404	,, 15	Do.,	Farme, ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
405	,, 15	Do.,	Halfway, Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
406	,, 16	Do.,	Carluke, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
407	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
408	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
409	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do..	... ...
410	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
411	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

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y him during the Quarter ending 31st DECEMBER, 1913.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
412	Oct. 17	Lanark County Council,	Cleland, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 3 per cent.
413	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Genuine,	.. ..
414	,, 17	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
415	,, 21	Do.,	Stonehouse, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than Fat 6 per cent.
416	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
417	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
418	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Rice, ...	Do.,	... ...
419	,, 21	Do.,	Do., ...	Raspberry Fruit Wine,	Do.,	... ...
422	,, 25	Do.,	Calderbank, ...	Essence of Coffee, with Chicory, ...	Do.,	... ...
423	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Lime Juice Cordial,	Do.,	... ...
424	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Ground Ginger, ...	Do.,	.. ..
425	,, 25	Do.,	Crawford, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
426	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
427	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
428	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
429	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
432	,, 28	Do.,	Lenzie, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
433	,, 28	Do.,	Do., ..	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
434	,, 28	Do.,	Do., ...	Lime Juice Cordial,	Do.,	... ...
435	,, 28	Do.,	Do., ...	Lemon Squash, ...	Do.,	... ...
436	,, 28	Do.,	Bishopbriggs,	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
437	,, 28	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
438	,, 28	Do.,	Do.,	Skimmed Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
439	,, 28	Do.,	Do.,	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
440	,, 28	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
441	,, 31	Do.,	Lesmahagow,	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 8 per cent. and in Milk Solids other than Fat 11 per cent.
442	,, 31	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
444	,, 31	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
446	,, 31	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
448	,, 31	Do.,	Blackwood, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
449	Nov. 4	Do.,	Halfway, Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
450	,, 4	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
451	,, 4	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
452	,, 4	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

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					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
453	Nov. 4	Lanark County Council.	Halfway, Cambuslang,	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
454	,, 4	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
455	,, 4	Do.,	Hallside, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
456	,, 4	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
457	,, 6	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
458	,, 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
459	,, 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
460	,, 6	Do.,	Birkenshaw, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 5 per cent., ...
461	,, 6	Do.,	Larkhall, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
462	,, 7	Do.,	Blantyre, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
463	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
464	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ..	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
465	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ..	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
466	,, 7	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
471	,, 11	Do.,	Riddrie, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 6 per cent., ...
472	,, 11	Do.,	Stepps, ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
473	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids 5 per cent,
474	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Genuine,	... ...
477	,, 11	Do.,	Do., ...	Sausage, ...	Do.,	... ...
478	,, 13	Do.,	Newarthill, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
479	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
481	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids other than 6 per cent.,
482	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
483	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
484	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
485	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ..	Do., ...	Do.,	... .
487	,, 18	Do.,	Carnbroe, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
488	,, 18	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
489	,, 18	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
490	,, 18	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
491	,, 18	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
492	,, 18	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

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493	Nov. 20	Lanark County Council,	Muirhead, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 6 per cent. and in Milk Solids other than Fat 9 per cent.,
494	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
495	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
496	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Solids 20 per cent..
497	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
498	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
499	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
505	,, 25	Do.,	Newmains, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 8 per cent., ...
506	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
507	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
508	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
509	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
510	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
511	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
512	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
516	,, 25	Do.,	Do., ...	Essence of Coffee, with Chicory,	Do.,	... ...
518	,, 29	Do.,	Birkenshaw, ...	Butter, ...	...	Contained 98 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk,
522	Dec. 12	Do ,	Newmains, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Genuine,	... ...
523	,, 12	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
525	,, 12	Do.,	Bonkle, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
526	,, 12	Do.,	Newmains, ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 8 per cent., and in Milk Solids other than Fat 5 per cent.,
527	,, 12	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	....
529	,, 12	Do.,	Netherton, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
537	,, 19	Do.,	Shotts, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
538	,, 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
539	,, 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
540	,, 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
541	,, 19	Do.,	West Benhar,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
542	,, 19	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
543	,, 19	Do.,	Harthill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
544	,, 19	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
558	,, 26	Do.,	Lesmahagow,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
559	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	. ...
562	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis.	
					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
563	Dec. 26	Lanark County Council,	Lesmahagow,	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
564	,, 26	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
565	,, 26	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
566	,, 26	Do.,	Larkhall, ..	Salt Butter, ...	...	Contained 95 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.
567	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Fresh Butter, ...	...	Contained 98 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.

Total number of Samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 133
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 15

12th January, 1914.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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22nd January, 1914.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of aduiteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
430	Oct. 30	Compound Liquorice Powder,	Genuine,	... ...	£0 10 0	
431	„ 30	Paisley Flour, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
467	Nov. 7	Butter, ...	...	Contained 87 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.	0 10 0	
475	„ 11	Nut Margarine,	Genuine,	... ...	1 1 0	Special Examination.
480	„ 13	Cream, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
486	„ 13	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
476	„ 25	Cashew Nut Butter,	Do.,	... ...	1 1 0	Special Examination
500	„ 25	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
501	„ 25	Do., ...	...	Contained 96 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.	0 10 0	
513	„ 25	Essence of Coffee, with Chicory,	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
514	„ 25	Essence of Chicory and Coffee,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
515	„ 25	Essence of Coffee and Chicory,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
517	„ 25	Essence of Chicory with Coffee,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
519	„ 29	Butter, ...	...	Contained 96 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.	0 10 0	
516	Dec. 22	Essence of Coffee with Chicory,	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
517	„ 22	Essence of Chicory with Coffee,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	

12th January, 1914.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

22nd January, 1914.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

COUNTY ANALYST

FOR

QUARTER Ending 31st DECEMBER, 1913,

TO BE SUBMITTED, IN TERMS OF THE

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS,

TO THE

STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 1914.

SALE OF FOOD AND

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					Article Genuine.	Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
582	Jan. 6	Lanark County Council,	Larkhall, ...	Whisky, ...	Genuine,	... ...
583	,, 6	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
4	,, 16	Do.,	Harthill, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 20 per cent., ...
5	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
7	,, 16	Do.,	Do., ...	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
8	,, 23	Do.,	Plains, ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
9	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
11	,, 23	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Coffee and Chicory,	Do.,	... ...
12	,, 23	Do.,	Do.,	Demerara Sugar, ...	Do.,	... ...
13	,, 23	Do.,	Strathaven, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
14	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
15	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
16	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
18	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
19	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
20	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
21	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
25	Feb. 5	Do.,	Muirhead, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
26	,, 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Skim Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
27	,, 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
28	,, 5	Do.,	Garnkirk, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
29	,, 5	Do.,	Chryston, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
30	,, 5	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
36	,, 10	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
37	,, 10	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
38	,, 10	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 17 per cent. ...
39	,, 10	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
40	,, 10	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 30 per cent., ...

DRUGS ACTS, 1875 to 1899.

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by him during the Quarter ending 31st MARCH, 1914.

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Name of Local Authority under whose direction and by whose Officer the sample was submitted for Analysis.	4. Place where Sample taken.	5. Article submitted for Analysis.	6. Result of Analysis. Article Genuine.	6. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.
41	Feb. 13	Lanark County Council,	Burnside, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 5 per cent.
42	,, 13	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Butter, ...	Genuine,	.. ..
43	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Cheddar Cheese, ...	Do.,	... ...
45	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Condensed Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
46	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Dripping, ...	Do.,	... ...
47	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
48	,, 13	Do.,	Do., ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
49	,, 13	Do.,	New Lanark,	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
50	,, 13	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
51	,, 13	Do.,	Do.,	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
54	,, 18	Do.,	Garnqueen, ...	Dripping, ...	Do.,	... ...
55	,, 18	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do..	... ...
56	,, 18	Do.,	Gartcosh, ...	Preserved Green Peas,	Do.,	... ...
57	,, 23	Do.,	Baillieston, ...	Fresh Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...
58	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
59	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Dripping, ...	Do.,	... ...
60	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
61	,, 23	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
73	,, 25	Do.,	Cambuslang,	Sweet Milk, ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 5 per cent.
74	,, 25	Do.,	Do.,	Skim Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
75	,, 25	Do.,	Do.,	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
76	,, 25	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
77	,, 25	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
78	,, 25	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
79	,, 25	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
80	,, 25	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
96	Mar. 7	Do.,	Do.,	Butter, ...	...	Contained 98 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.
97	.. 7	Do.,	Do ,	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
98	,, 7	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
99	,, 7	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
107	,, 17	Do.,	East Kilbride,	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
108	,, 17	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Proof Spirit 2 per cent.
110	,, 17	Do.,	Do.,	Butter, ...	Genuine,	... ...
111	,, 17	Do.,	Do.,	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
114	,, 20	Do.,	Coalburn, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged om Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority
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115	Mar. 20	Lanark County Council,	Coalburn, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Genuine,	... ...
116	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
117	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
118	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
119	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
120	,, 20	Do.,	Do., ...	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
127	,, 26	Do.,	Netherton, ...	Sweet Milk,... ...	Do.,	... ...
128	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
129	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
130	,, 26	Do.,	Do., ...	Do..	Do.,	... ...
138	,, 30	Do.,	East Kilbride,	Whisky, ...	Do.,	... ...
139	,, 30	Do.,	Do.,	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
144	,, 31	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Sweet Milk, ...	Do.,	... ...
145	,, 31	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	...	Deficient in Milk Fat 7 per cent., ...
146	,, 31	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...
147	,, 31	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
148	,, 31	Do.,	Mossend, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
149	,, 31	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
150	,, 31	Do.,	Do., ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...
151	,, 31	Do.,	Bellshill, ...	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...

Total number of Samples analysed at the instance of the Local Authority or their Officer during the Quarter, ... 83
Total number of same found to be adulterated, ... 8

10th April, 1914.

ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

7. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	8. Observations of Analyst.	9. Were proceedings taken?	10. Amount of Penalty inflicted.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Offender.	11. Amount of Costs. Charged on Local Authority.	12. Observations of Clerk to the Local Authority.
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17th April, 1914.

THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

TEST SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS.

1. Number.	2. Date when Article received for Analysis.	3. Article submitted for Analysis.	4. Result of Analysis. Article genuine.	4. Result of Analysis. Article adulterated, and nature and extent of adulteration.	5. Sum paid in respect of the Analysis.	6. Observations of Analyst.
10	Jan. 23	Demerara Sugar,	Genuine,	... ...	£0 10 0	
109	Mar. 20	Essence of Coffee with Chicory,	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	Contained about 1·9 parts of Chicory to 1 part of Coffee.
122	,, 30	Butter, ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
123	,, 30	Do., ...	...	Contained 99 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.	0 10 0	
124	,, 30	Do., ...	Genuine,	... ...	0 10 0	
125	,, 30	Do., ...	Do.,	... ...	0 10 0	
140	,, 30	Do., ...	Do.,	Contained 95 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.	0 10 0	
141	,, 30	Do., ...	Do.,	Contained 98 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.	0 10 0	
142	,, 30	Do.. ...	Do.,	Contained 92 per cent. of Fatty Matter not derived from Milk.	0 10 0	

10th April, 1914.—ROBERT M. CLARK, *Public Analyst.*

17th April, 1914.—THOS. MUNRO, *Clerk to the Local Authority.*

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

COUNTY ANALYST

FOR

QUARTER Ending 31st MARCH, 1914,

TO BE SUBMITTED, IN TERMS OF THE

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS,

TO THE

STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 1914.

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COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries by the Official

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Name and Address of Seller (if known).	Name and Address of Person submitting Sample.
Linseed Cake, ...	12th Dec.,	Not known.	Chas. M'Ara, Official Sampler.
Linseed Cake, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Bean Meal.	Do.,	Do.,	Do..
Basic Slag.	31st Dec.,	Do.,	Do..

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1913.

	REMARKS.
Informal.	Satisfactory.
Do.	Do.
Do.	Do.
Formal.	Deficient in Fineness to the extent of 10%.

Total Number of Samples—Satisfactory, 3; Unsatisfactory, 1.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK

Date, 13th January, 1914.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

DISTRICT ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1913,

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 1914.

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COUNTY

FERTILISERS AND FEED

Report to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries by the Official

Name of Fertiliser or Feeding Stuff.	Date of Receipt of Sample.	Name and Address of Seller (if known).	Name and Address of Person submitting Sample.
Superphosphate, ...	11th March,	Not known,	Inspector M'Ara, Official Sampler,
Bone Meal, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Pure Dissolved Bones, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do..
Basic Slag, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Do., ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Ground Limestone, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Sulphate of Ammonia, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Nitrolim, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potash Manure Salts, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Kainit, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do..
Bone Meal, ...	24th March,	Do.,	Inspector M'Arthur, Official Sampler,
Kainit, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Sulphate of Ammonia, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Potash Manure, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Superphosphate, ...	Do.,	Do.,	Do.,
Grain Manure, ...	Do..	Do.,	Do.,
Potato Manure, ...	Do ,	Do.,	Do.,

OF LANARK.

ING STUFFS ACT, 1906.

Agricultural Analyst for the Quarter ending 31st March, 1914.

	REMARKS.
Formal.	Satisfactory.
Do.	Do.
Do.	Do.
Do.	Do.
Do.	Do.
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Informal.	Do.
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Do.	Do.

Total Number of Samples—Satisfactory, 17 ; Unsatisfactory, 0.

Signature of Agricultural Analyst, R. R. TATLOCK.

Date, 7th April, 1914.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

REPORT

BY

DISTRICT ANALYST

UNDER

FERTILISERS AND FEEDING STUFFS ACT, 1906,

FOR THE

QUARTER ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1914,

TO BE SUBMITTED TO

THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL,

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 1914.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

RETURN OF EXPENSES OF DEPUTATIONS FOR YEAR 1913, PREPARED IN TERMS OF RESOLUTIONS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL, AS CONTAINED IN THE MINUTES OF 11TH MAY, 1899, AND 15TH DECEMBER, 1908.

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	£ s. d.	Sums Paid to each Councillor. £ s. d.
Robert Lambie,	Attending in Edinburgh at the Inquiry by the Commissioners under the Private Legislation (Scotland) Act, in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order,	4	4 11 6	
	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf,	1	1 1 0	
	Attending in Exeter the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute,	6	18 15 6	
	Attending in London (1) the Annual Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption, and (2) the Conference on the Prevention of Infant Mortality,	5	11 14 10	
	Attending in London at an interview with the Consulting Engineers in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order,	3	10 4 9	
	Attending in London at an interview with the Secretary for Scotland regarding the objections taken by the Scottish Office to certain clauses in the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order,	3	10 4 9	
	Attending in Edinburgh the Scottish National Conference on the administration of the Housing and Town Planning Act,	1	1 8 6	
	Attending in London and conferring with Counsel and Parliamentary Agents, on the position of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, in view of the situation created by the resolution of the Council to proceed no further with Clauses 34, 35, and 36 of Order,	3	10 4 9	
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	Carry forward,			68 5 7

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	£ s. d.	Sums Paid to each Councillor. £ s. d.
	Brought forward, - - -			68 5 7
William Templeton, - -	Attending in London and laying before the President of the Board of Agriculture the views of the Council on the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, - - -	4	9 14 3	
	Attending in Edinburgh at the Inquiry by the Commissioners under the Private Legislation (Scotland) Act in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, - -	3	3 10 6	
	Attending in London at an interview with the Board of Agriculture with reference to the working of the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, in the County, - -	3	8 13 3	
	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf, - - -	1	1 1 0	
	Attending in Exeter, the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute, - - -	6	18 15 6	
				41 14 6
James Tonner, - - -	Attending in London meeting of Local Authorities on the subject of Short Weight in the retailing of goods, -	3	10 4 9	
	Attending in London the Annual General Meeting of the Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, -	5	13 7 9	
	Attending in London the Annual Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption, - -	5	11 14 10	
				35 7 4
William Love, - - -	Attending in Edinburgh the Scottish National Conference on the administration of the Housing and Town Planning Act, - - - - -	1	1 8 6	
	Attending in Edinburgh at the Inquiry by the Commissioners under the Private Legislation (Scotland) Act in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, - -	3	3 10 6	
	Attending, in London, the Conference on the Prevention of Infant Mortality,	5	11 14 10	
	Attending, in London, the Annual Convention of the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association, - - -	6	14 19 3	
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	Carry forward, - - -			177 0 6

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	£ s. d.	Sums Paid to each Councillor. £ s. d.
	Brought forward, - - -			177 0 6
George Fraser, - - -	Attending in London and conferring with Counsel and Parliamentary Agents on the position of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, in view of the situation created by the resolutions of the Council to proceed no further with Clauses 34, 35, and 36 of Order, - - - - - - - -	3	10 0 6	
	Attending in Edinburgh at the Inquiry by the Commissioners under the Private Legislation (Scotland) Act, in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, - -	4	4 11 6	
	Attending in London at an interview with the Secretary for Scotland regarding the objections taken by the Scottish Office to certain Clauses in the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, - - - - - -	3	10 4 9	
				24 16 9
Col. King Stewart, - -	Attending in London and laying before the President of the Board of Agriculture the views of the Council on the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, - - -	4	9 14 3	
	Attending in London and conferring with Counsel and Parliamentary Agents on the position of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order in view of the situation created by the resolutions of the Council to proceed no further with Clauses 34, 35, and 36 of Order, - - - - -	3	10 4 9	
	Attending in Edinburgh at the Inquiry by the Commissioners under the Private Legislation (Scotland) Act in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, - -	4	4 11 6	
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James C. Pollok, - - -	Attending in Exeter the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute, - - -	6	...	18 15 6
Gavin A. Shanks, - -	Attending in Exeter the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute, - - -	6	...	18 15 6
James Cameron, - - -	Attending in Edinburgh the Scottish National Conference on the administration of the Housing and Town Planning Act, - - - - - - - -	1	1 10 2	
	Carry forward, - - - -		1 10 2	263 18 9

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	£ s. d.	Sums Paid to each Councillor. £ s. d.
	Brought forward, - - -		1 10 2	263 18 9
James Cameron—*continued,* -	Attending in London the Annual Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption, -	5	11 14 10	13 5 0
T. G. Cowan, - - -	Attending in London the Conference on the Prevention of Infant Mortality, -	5	...	11 14 10
Alexander Hamilton, - -	Attending in Edinburgh the Scottish National Conference on the administration of the Housing and Town Planning Act, - - - - - - - -	2	2 9 6	
	Attending in Edinburgh the Inquiry by the Commissioners under the Private Legislation (Scotland) Act, in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, - -	2	2 9 6	
	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf, - - -	1	1 1 0	6 0 0
J. Raeside Auld, - -	Attending in Edinburgh, the Scottish National Conference on the administration of the Housing and Town Planning Act, - - - - - -	2	...	2 9 6
A. R. Mitchell, - - -	Attending in Edinburgh, the Scottish National Conference on the administration of the Housing and Town Planning Act, - - - - - -	2	...	2 9 6
John Adam, - - - -	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf, -	1	...	1 1 0
James Anderson, - - -	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf, -	1	...	1 1 0
	Carry forward, - - - -			301 19 7

Name of Councillor.	Object of Deputation or Visit.	No. of Days Spent.	£ s. d.	Sums Paid to each Councillor. £ s. d.
	Brought forward, - - -			301 19 7
Walter C. B. Christie, -	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar, with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf, - - - - -	1	...	1 1 0
James H. Fenton, - -	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar, with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions in the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf, - - - - -	1	...	1 1 0
William Speirs, - - -	Attending in Glasgow as a witness in the Inquiry by Sheriff Millar, with reference to the County Council's application for an alteration in the number of County Councillors, &c., in the Electoral Divisions of the Lower Ward and in the Parish of Dalserf, - - - - -	1	...	1 1 0
William Neilson, - .	Attending in Edinburgh the Inquiry by the Commissioners under the Private Legislation (Scotland) Act in the matter of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, - -	1	...	0 7 6
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First Portion.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 14TH MAY, 1914.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 7th January, 1914, being a meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 7th January, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Alexander Pillans.
Colonel Buchanan.	Robert Sharp.
James Cameron.	Colonel King Stewart.
John Campbell.	William Sym.
Owen Coyle.	David Thomson.
George Fraser.	William B. Thomson.
Robert Lambie.	James C. Hope Vere.

Colonel King Stewart in the Chair. — *Chairman.*

The Clerk stated that he had received a further letter from Mr. James Burns, Town-Clerk, Motherwell, which was in the following terms, viz.:— — *Communication from Town-Clerk of Motherwell.*

"Town Hall,
"Motherwell, 26th December, 1913.

"Dear Sir,

"FIRE BRIGADES.

"Referring to your letter of 23rd September last, at a meeting of the Committee of the Joint Burghs, held on 23rd instant, the Provosts and Conveners of the Committees of each of the three Burghs, along with the Clerks, were appointed to meet the Chairman of your Committee, the Firemaster, and yourself, to discuss this matter. I shall be pleased to hear from you suggesting a date or dates that would be suitable to you, when I shall ascertain if it suits the Burgh representatives and get a meeting fixed up.

"Yours, &c.,

(Signed) "JAMES BURNS,
"*Town-Clerk.*"

The Clerk explained that, following upon the receipt of the above letter, it had been arranged that the meeting with the Burghs should take place in the County Offices, Hamilton, to-morrow, 8th current, but that Mr. Fenton had that morning telephoned to him, saying that owing to illness he would not be able to attend. In these circumstances the meeting appointed Colonel Buchanan, and Messrs. John Campbell, George Fraser, Robert Lambie, and William B. Thomson, along with the Clerk, to attend the meeting as representing this Committee. — *Meeting fixed. — Appointment of representatives to attend.*

4th February, 1914.

FIRE BRIGADES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	James Kelly.
J. Raeside Auld.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan.	Peter Macauslan.
James Cameron.	William Macfarlane.
John Campbell.	Alexander Pillans.
Owen Coyle.	Robert Sharp.
James H. Fenton.	William Sym.
George Fraser.	David Thomson.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William B. Thomson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Firemaster.

Appointment of chairman.

On the motion of Mr. Lambie, seconded by Mr. Pillans, Mr. Fenton was unanimously appointed chairman of the committee.

Quorum.

The quorum of the committee was fixed at five.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of committees.

The minutes of the committee, of dates 3rd September, 1913, and 7th January, 1914, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Minutes of sub-committee, &c.

There were also laid before the meeting the minutes of a meeting of the Fire Brigades Sub-Committee, of date 8th January, 1914 (Appendix I.), together with minutes of a joint-meeting with the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, held on same date (Appendix II.), copies of each of which had been sent to each member of the committee, and the same were approved of.

Proposed arrangement with Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw as to fire brigades.—Memorandum by Clerk.

As relative to the minutes last mentioned, the Clerk laid before the meeting a memorandum (Appendix III.) explanatory of the various schemes discussed at meetings with representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, and stated that he had sent a copy of it to each member of the committee.

Remit continued to sub-committee.

The meeting agreed that the sub-committee appointed to meet with representatives of the burghs should be continued under the remit made to them, with the addition of Messrs. Alexander Pillans and David Thomson.

Annual Report by Firemaster for 1913.

There was submitted to the meeting the annual report (Appendix IV.), by the Firemaster for the year 1913. The meeting expressed satisfaction with the good work which had been done during the year by the Fire Brigade, and remitted to the Clerk, should he consider it advisable, to prepare a synopsis of the report for the newspapers.

Record of fires, &c.—Report by Firemaster.

There was also submitted to the meeting a report (Appendix V.) by the Firemaster, containing a record of fires which had occurred since the date of last meeting, and relating to other matters, and the Clerk stated that a copy of that report had also been transmitted to each member of the committee.

Increase in mechanics' pay authorised.

With reference to the pay of the four mechanics, the meeting, after consideration, agreed by a majority to increase their pay from 35s. to 40s. per week.

Fire hydrants.—Position to be indicated by enamel plates.

The Firemaster having stated that in certain cases there had been difficulty in locating the position of the fire hydrants, the meeting authorised him to make arrangements for the position of these hydrants being indicated by the putting up of enamel plates bearing the letters "F.P." or by such other means as he might think suitable.

Lanark Fire Station.—Entrance to be laid with tar-macadam.

The chairman having stated that the entrance to the Fire Brigade Station at Lanark was not satisfactory, and having suggested that it should be laid with tar-macadam, the meeting approved, and authorised the work to be carried out.

Claim for damages by Mr. Somerville.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a claim by Messrs. Gebbie & Wilson, writers, Strathaven, on behalf of Mr. Somerville, in respect of injuries alleged to have been caused to their client as the result of an accident on the public road near Skeoch Farm steading, East Kilbride.

Statement by Clerk.—Meeting approve.

The Clerk informed the meeting of the circumstances of the case, and stated that, after comunicating with the London and Lancashire Life and General Assurance Association, Limited, and also with the Firemaster, a letter had been addressed by the Insurance Company to Messrs. Gebbie & Wilson, denying liability. The meeting approved.

Letter from Town Clerk, Airdrie, agreeing to County Council's offer to provide fire brigade facilities.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the Town Clerk of Airdrie, of date 11th October, 1913, accepting the offer of the County Council to provide Fire Brigade facilities within the burgh, on the terms upon which such services are afforded to other burghs in the County.

Damage caused by County Fire Engine. —Letter from District Clerk, Lanark.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, of date 31st December last intimating that the front wall of the District Offices had been slightly damaged by the County Fire Engine having come into contact with it, but that the damage had since been repaired.

Letter from Session Clerk of East U.F. Church, Blantyre, conveying thanks for services of brigade.

The Clerk submitted and read a letter from Mr. Robert Dunlop, Clerk of Session, East U.F. Church, Blantyre, conveying, on behalf of the session and congregation of that church, their thanks for the efficient and expeditious manner in which the County Fire Brigade had responded to their call on the occasion of the fire which had ocurred in the church on 20th December last.

Telephones.—Communication from District Manager of Post Office Telephones as to urgent calls.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the District Manager of the Post Office Telephones, of date 9th January, 1914, stating that, in the event of an outbreak of fire, no attendant in a call office would refuse to pass an urgent call in a case of necessity, for which a fee of 1s. would strictly be chargeable.

Telephone facilities between Strathaven and Hamilton and at Stonehouse.

It was also stated that the Post Office had decided to erect a direct trunk line from Strathaven to Hamilton, and to open an Exchange at Stonehouse, and that at the latter place an order had been given to connect the Police Station.

Question of connections to Quarter and Chapelton.

The Firemaster accordingly recommended that the Quarter Police Station should also be connected, and that an offer should be made to the Post Office to pay part of the cost of a Call Office at Chapelton if one was established there.

Proposal as to Glasford Police Station.

In the event of the proposed Burgh Sanatorium at Glasford being connected with the telephone, the Chief Constable further suggested that the Post Office might be willing to put in a telephone at Glasford Police Station at a moderate rate.

Former remit continued in hands of Clerk and Firemaster.

The meeting continued the remit to the Clerk and the Firemaster to continue their negotiations with the Post Office, with a view to the provision of telephone facilities at all places where these seemed necessary.

Laying of water-pipes.—Communications from District Clerks of Middle and Lower Wards.

There were laid before the meeting letters from the Clerks to the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards, stating, in reply to the representations made to the District Committees, that in future, when laying water-pipes, 4-inch pipes would be laid wherever the circumstances permitted this to be done.

Local fire appliances in remote villages.

The question of providing, in remote villages in the County, local fire appliances, having been raised by Mr. David Thomson, the meeting, after discussion, allowed the matter to drop.

APPENDIX I.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES (SUB-COMMITTEE).

8th January, 1914. At HAMILTON, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Thursday, 8th January, 1914, being a meeting of a Sub-Committee of the Fire Brigade Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM B. THOMSON.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, Fire-Master.

Chairman. Colonel Buchanan, was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Statement by Clerk. The Clerk having stated the purpose of the meeting, he informed the members of the sub-committee of the correspondence which had already taken place with the burghs on the subject of fire brigades, and also of the proceedings at various joint meetings which had been held, and explained the alternative schemes which had been discussed.

Schemes to be considered. The meeting, after consideration, expressed their willingness to consider favourably any scheme which might be suggested on behalf of the burghs which would entitle them to the services of the County Fire Brigade on the understanding that while the county would seek to gain no financial benefit, the county ratepayers would in no way be prejudiced.

Meeting with burghs. The members of the sub-committee thereafter met with representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw.

APPENDIX II.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES JOINT MEETING.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Thursday, 8th January, 1914, being a meeting between a Sub-Committee of the County Fire Brigade Committee and Representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton Motherwell, and Wishaw. 8th January, 1914.

Present—

As representing the County Fire Brigade Sub-Committee—

Colonel BUCHANAN. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
JOHN CAMPBELL. | WILLIAM B. THOMSON.
Captain DESPARD, Fire-Master. | The COUNTY CLERK.

As representing the Burghs—

(1) *Burgh of Hamilton.*

Provost MOFFAT. | Councillor GRAHAM.
P. M. KIRKPATRICK, Town-Clerk.

(2) *Burgh of Motherwell.*

Provost WILSON. | Bailie M'KENDRICK.
JAMES BURNS, Town-Clerk.

(3) *Burgh of Wishaw.*

Councillor INGRAM. | Councillor M'MAHON.
JAMES RAMSAY (for the Town-Clerk).

Colonel Buchanan in the Chair. *Chairman.*

The Chairman stated that, while the County Sub-Committee had no power to come to any definite arrangements with the Burghs in the matter, they would be very glad to hear and discuss with them any proposals which the Burgh Representatives had to submit, and he indicated at the same time that he was sure the County Council would view with favour any arrangement which would provide for the services of the Fire Brigade being made available within the Burghs, on terms which would be reasonable and satisfactory to all parties. *Statement on behalf of County Sub-Committee.*

Mr. Burns, on behalf of the Burghs, made a statement of the various proposals which had been submitted to them, and indicated that it was their desire to take advantage of the services of the County Fire Brigade, provided that they were satisfied as to its adequacy, and that, from a financial point of view, the arrangement would be an economical one. *Statement on behalf of Burghs.*

The County Clerk having, on behalf of the County Sub-Committee, indicated alternative schemes which would make the services of the County Fire Brigade available within the three Burghs, it was agreed that consideration of the matter be continued, and that, in the meantime, a memorandum explanatory of the several proposals discussed be prepared and sent to the Clerks of the respective Local Authorities. *Matter continued.—Memorandum to be prepared.*

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

MEMORANDUM explanatory of the various Schemes discussed at the Meeting, held at Hamilton on Thursday, 8th January, 1914, between Representatives of the County Council and of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, with a view to the better protection against outbreaks of fire within the Burghs named.

Scheme No. 1.

That each of the Burghs should provide itself with a Local Fire Brigade sufficiently equipped as to deal effectively with small outbreaks of fire, and that an arrangement should be concluded with the Corporation of Glasgow or with the County Council, whereby the Burghs would be entitled to call in the services of either of the respective Fire Brigades as occasion required, the payment to be made to the Corporation of Glasgow or the County Council, as the case may be, being equivalent to twice the actual cost of the Brigade's attendance at each fire.

Scheme No. 2.

That the three Burghs should combine and provide a thoroughly-equipped Fire Brigade, consisting of civilians, whose whole time would be devoted to the work. The Brigade to consist of and be equipped as follows:—

(1) A Fire Brigade Station, comprising engine house, with workshop, &c., accommodation for firemaster, 3 firemen and 2 drivers, hose-drying tower, &c., the site being the Old Toll, Windmillhill Street, Motherwell.

(2) A turbine motor fire engine of 60 horse power, having a pump capable of delivering 400 gallons per minute at 120 lbs. pressure; engine to be fitted with all necessary requirements of modern type, to have two spare wheels, complete electric light equipment with dynamo for same, and also self-starting device for engine, suction hose, &c.

(3) The new 40-feet telescopic ladder belonging to the Burgh of Motherwell This should be fitted to the engine with overhead brackets.

(4) The other equipment necessary, such as hose, couplings, jumping sheet, &c.

and that the above provision should be in addition to the existing local or first-aid appliances in the three Burghs, which, if necessary, should be improved, in order to cope effectively with small outbreaks. The cost of the scheme, including the cost of the local appliances, is estimated at £912.

Scheme No. 3.

That the Local Fire Brigade in each of the three Burghs should, if necessary, be improved so as to deal effectively with small outbreaks of fire, and that an arrangement be come to with the County Council for the services of the County Fire Brigade being made available within the Burghs. The terms suggested under this arrangement are as follows:—That each of the Burghs should pay to the County a sum equivalent to the amount which the rate leviable in the County, for the time being for Fire Brigade purposes, would yield if levied within the Burgh, but that from such sum there should fall to be deducted a sum equal to the actual cost of maintaining the local fire brigade.

Under this Scheme the County Council would fall to be reasonably satisfied as to the adequacy of the Local Fire Brigades for the purposes for which they are intended. On the other hand, the Burgh Authorities would fall to be satisfied as to the efficiency of the County Fire Brigade and its adequacy to meet their requirements.

In the event of such an arrangement as indicated being come to between the County and the Burghs, it is further suggested that, in order to supplement the provision in the County and to ensure adequate protection to the Burghs, there should be established at Wishaw, or at such other place as may be mutually agreed on, a fully-equipped Fire Brigade with Motor Fire Engine and other appliances.

In the event of a Fire Brigade being established at Wishaw under an arrangement such as indicated, a Local Fire Brigade would be unnecessary, and accordingly the Burgh in that case would fall to pay to the County, without deduction, a sum equivalent to the amount which the rate leviable in the County, for the time being, would yield if levied in the Burgh.

For the sake of reference, there is appended to this Memorandum :—

(1) A Table showing the strength, classification, and distribution of the County Fire Brigade; and

(2) A Statement of the cost of the County Fire Brigade for 1913, together with other information as to valuation of the County and Burghs.

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APPENDIX No. I.

TABLE SHOWING THE STRENGTH, CLASSIFICATION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE COUNTY FIRE BRIGADE.

STATIONS.	STAFF.	TOTAL.	APPLIANCES.
Headquarters—HAMILTON,	1 Firemaster, 1 Instructor, 1 Clerk, and 3 Firemen (police),	6	
Do. LARKHALL,	10 Firemen (police), 5 Firemen (civilians) and 1 Mechanic,	16	1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump; 94 feet suction hose; 3,390 feet canvas and other hose.
Do. LANARK,	8 Firemen (police), 5 Firemen (civilians), and 1 Mechanic,	14	1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump; 80 feet suction hose; 3,390 feet canvas and other hose.
Do. BELLSHILL,	10 Firemen (police), 4 Firemen (civilians), and 1 Mechanic,	15	1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump; 40 feet suction hose; 3,390 feet canvas and other hose.
Do. CAMBUSLANG,	18 Firemen (police), 3 Firemen (civilians), and 1 Mechanic,	22	*1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump, and 1 Motor Fire Tender; 63 feet suction hose; 6,900 feet canvas and other hose.

* It is probable that the Fire Tender presently stationed at Cambuslang will be removed to Bishopbriggs so soon as the Fire Station there in course of erection is completed.

NOTE.—There are several Local Fire Brigades scattered throughout the County which form part of the County establishment, but these are not taken account of in the above Table.

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COUNTY OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

Estimated cost, 1913-14, - - - £3,751

Assessable Valuation of County, - - £1,850,000

Equal to a rate of ½d. per £.

½d. on	Valuation of Burgh of	Hamilton (£163,605)	-	would yield	£341.
½d.	do.	Motherwell (£205,428)	-	do.	428.
½d.	do.	Wishaw (£96,467)	-	do.	201

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADE REPORT, 1913.

Chief Constable's Office,
Hamilton, 5th January, 1914.

To the County Council of the
County of Lanark.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my report on the work of the Fire Brigade for the year ending 31st December, 1913, and, for convenience, have tabulated the information I can give.

There have been 19 more fires attended by the Brigade during 1913 than in the year 1912, and the estimated loss by fire during 1913 is £7,306 7s. more than in 1912.

A fire within the Burgh of Hamilton was attended by one of the County detachments of the Brigade. For this service a charge was made against the Town Council, in accordance with the temporary agreement existing. This fire is only recorded in Table I. of this report.

The only fire the Brigade was called to during the year, and which calls for special mention, is the Cadder Pit fire, where 22 men lost their lives by suffocation. The fire was so situated underground that the Brigade was of no service, and the Carron Iron and Coal Company very reluctantly declined the offer I made to supply them with fire hose and any other equipment, to be worked by their own officials. The damage resulting from that fire is not reckoned in estimating the loss by fire during the year.

By minute of 28th May, 1913, you authorised me to organise and equip sub-fire stations at Carluke and Strathaven. That has now been done, as shown in Table I. of this report.

TABLES.

TABLE No. 1.—Showing the Strength, Classification, and Distribution of Brigade, and Number of Fire Calls attended from each Station, &c.

STATIONS.	Auxiliary.					Permanent.	Total.	Number of Fire Calls attended from each Station.	Principal Appliances.					Distance covered by Engines, Work done by Pumps, and Petrol consumed.					
	Members of Constabulary.				Civilians.														
	Firemaster.	Instructor.	Clerk.	Firemen.	Firemen.	Mechanics.			Motor Fire Pumps.	Motor Fire Tender.	Hand Hose Carts.	Suction Hose Length in Feet.	Canvas and other Hose, in Feet.	Engine runs to Fires. Mileage.	Engine runs to Practice, &c.—Mileage.	Miles run by Tender Collecting and Distributing Hose, &c.	Pumps working at Fires.—Hours.	Pumps working at Practice.—Hours.	Petrol consumed, in Gallons.
Headquarters, Hamilton, ...	1	1	1	3	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cambuslang, ...	...	...	...	18	3	1	22	47	1	1	...	53	6900	351	294	718	32	7	497
Larkhall, ...	...	...	...	10	5	1	16	24	1	...	...	94	3390	232	244	...	32	5	290
Lanark, ...	...	...	...	8	5	1	14	14	1	...	...	80	3390	168	330	...	13	5	198
Bellshill, ...	...	...	...	10	4	1	15	36	1	...	...	40	3390	282	311	...	10	3	271
Biggar (Sub-Station), ...	...	...	...	2	3	...	5	1	...	...	1	...	1008	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carluke do., ...	...	...	...	4	2	...	6	...	...	...	1	...	900	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Kilbride do., ...	...	...	...	2	2	...	4	..	...	...	1	...	420	...	...	...	...	...	...
Strathaven do., ...	...	...	...	3	2	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	400	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals, ...	1	1	1	60	26	4	93	122*	4	1	4	267	19888	1033	1179	718	87	20	1256

* On two occasions two motor pumps attended at one fire. And once a fire call was attended by an Engine within the Burgh of Hamilton.

TABLE No. 2.—Description of Premises in which Fires occurred and Number of Fires.

Description of Premises.	No. of Fires.	Description of Premises.	No. of Fires.
Acetylene gas-house, ...	1	Brought forward, ...	55
Blacksmith's shop, ...	1	Growing trees, ...	1
Bakehouse, ...	2	Hotel, ...	1
Boot shop, ...	1	Iron foundries, ...	2
Churches, ...	2	Loco. engine sheds, ...	2
Colliery oil store, ...	1	Meal mill, ...	1
Coal in pit workings, ...	1	Mansion house, ...	1
Canvas portable picture-house,	1	Oil refining works, ...	2
Drying kilns, ...	2	Railway signal cabins, ...	2
Engine-houses, ...	5	Sanatorium, ...	1
Farmers' hay sheds, ...	9	Stables, ...	2
Farmers' stack yards, ...	18	Tenement dwelling-houses, ...	29
Farm steadings, ...	2	Tailor's shop, ...	1
Flock factory, ...	2	Telegraph poles, ...	1
Fried fish shop, ...	1	Villas, ...	8
Garage and motor vehicles, ...	3	Wooden sheds, ...	6
Grocers' shops, ...	2	Wooden sleepers, ...	3
Guano factory, ...	1	Weighs-house, ...	1
Carry forward, ...	55	Total, ...	119

TABLE No. 3.—Cause of Fires.

Cause of Fires.	No. of Fires.	Cause of Fires.	No. of Fires.
Burning fire on hearth, ...	2	Brought forward, ...	61
Boiling fat ignited, ...	2	Overheating drying kilns, ...	2
Children with lights, ...	13	Overheating of flues, ...	9
Chimneys on fire, ...	14	Petrol vapour ignited off lamp flame, ...	1
Carelessness with lights, ...	14	Sparks from loco engines, ...	6
Defective chimneys, ...	2	Sparks from house fires and chimneys, ...	12
Escaping gas ignited, ...	3	Upsetting paraffin oil lamp, ...	1
Fusing of electric wires, ...	2	Unknown, ...	26
Hot cinders, ...	8	Wilful, ...	1
Kindling fire with methylated spirit, ...	1		
Carry forward, ...	61	Total, ...	119

TABLE No. 4.—Number of Men attending Fires.

No. of Men attending Fires.	No. of Fires.	No. of Men attending Fires.	No. of Fires.
Attended by 1 man, ...	1	Brought forward, ...	72
,, 3 men, ...	1	Attended by 8 men, ...	26
,, 4 men, ...	3	,, 9 men, ...	14
,, 5 men, ...	13	,, 10 men, ...	6
,, 6 men, ...	19	,, 15 men, ...	1
,, 7 men, ...	35		
Carry forward, ...	72	Total, ...	119

TABLE No. 5.—Number and Description of Appliances used to extinguish Fires.

Buckets of water, ...	13 Fires	Brought forward, ...	93 Fires
Chemical extinguishers, ...	21 ,,	9 100 ft. lengths of hose, ...	2 ,,
Cutting away burning parts, ...	3 ,,	10 ,, ,, ...	3 ,,
Plugging up gas pipes, ...	2 ,,	11 ,, ,, ...	5 ,,
Smothering with sand, ...	1 ,,	12 ,, ,, ...	3 ,,
1st aid tank on engine, ...	4 ,,	14 ,, ,, ...	2 ,,
1 100 ft. length of hose, ...	3 ,,	15 ,, ,, ...	1 ,,
2 ,, ,, ...	10 ,,	16 ,, ,, ...	2 ,,
3 ,, ,, ...	10 ,,	17 ,, ,, ...	2 ,,
4 ,, ,, ...	7 ,,	18 ,, ,, ...	1 ,,
5 ,, ,, ...	8 ,,	19 ,, ,, ...	1 ,,
6 ,, ,, ...	5 ,,	21 ,, ,, ...	1 ,,
7 ,, ,, ...	2 ,,	27 ,, ,, ...	1 ,,
8 ,, ,, ...	4 ,,	33 ,, ,, ...	1 ,,
Carry forward, ...	93 Fires	Total, ...	118 Fires*

*22 extinguished by motor pump. 49 direct from hydrant. 3 by combined action of motor pump and direct from hydrant. 1 fire called to was not extinguished by Brigade, it being underground in pit workings.

TABLE No. 6.—Monthly Summary of Fires, and Amount of Damage Done in each Month.

MONTH.	FIRES.	DAMAGE.	MONTH.	FIRES.	DAMAGE.
January, ...	6	£328 0 0	Brought forward,	67	£13,296 11 6
February, ...	10	2,354 10 0	August, ...	12	1,422 0 0
March, ...	10	1,347 7 6	September, ...	13	2,567 0 0
April, ...	12	770 10 0	October, ...	10	1,186 10 0
May, ...	8	377 10 0	November, ...	11	544 10 0
June, ...	8	2,322 0 0	December, ...	6	397 10 0
July, ...	13	5,796 10 0			
Carry forward, ...	67	£13,296 7 6	Total, ...	119	£19,413 17 6

H. J. DESPARD, Captain,
County Firemaster.

APPENDIX V.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

Chief Constable's Office,
Hamilton, 30th January, 1914.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report, copies of which have been sent to the Members of the Committee. Annual Report.

Since your last meeting there has only been one fire which calls for particular remark, namely, the burning of the Mansion House of Bonnington on 24th January. This fire was not discovered until the roof of the kitchen wing had fallen in, and although the Brigade from Lanark was there as quickly as possible, very little could be done to save the main part of the building, as the fire had a firm hold and the amount of water that could be obtained from a small burn was very limited. I am inclined to think that the cause of the fire was, probably, smouldering soot which lodged in the kitchen vent and which had set fire to a joist in the wall. Bonnington House fire.

The four mechanics have now been in your service since November, 1910. These men have asked me to recommend them for an increase to their wages. Although they get good pay now—namely, 35s. per week; house rent and rate free; and light—they do not have the advantages that other mechanics have in the way of fixed hours, with half day on Saturday and the whole of Sunday free. They are all of them first-rate men, hard working, and attentive to their duty. Mechanics' pay.

On 20th November, 1913, the Manager of View Park Colliery appealed to me for the loan of some lengths of hose, to bring water from the nearest hydrant to his boilers, as his pump had broken down and was not able to keep up steam to draw the men from the pit. Under the circumstances, I lent him the necessary hose and the services of three men. All expenses were paid by the management. Loan of hose and men.

I also beg to hand in a Return showing Fires attended by the Brigade during the 17 weeks ending 31st December, 1913. Return of fires.

I have the honour to be,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain*,
Firemaster.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS,
FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE,
COUNTY OF LANARK.

RECORD OF FIRES ATTENDED BY THE BRIGADE FOR PERIOD

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
1	Cambuslang,	Aug. 29th, 4.0 p.m.	Police 6, Civilian 1,	1½ miles,	8 min. from call,	Roof of blast engine-house in Clyde Iron Works, belonging to Jas. Dunlop & Co., Ltd.,	Molten metal from an adjoining furnace,
2	Cambuslang,	Aug. 31st, 9.45 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 3,	10 miles,	25 min. from call,	Haystack at Hilton Farm, Bishopbriggs, occupied by John Knox,	Unknown,
3	Cambuslang,	Sept. 5th, 11.30 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 3,	2 miles,	8 min. from call,	Roof of moulding-shop in Newton Steel Works, property of Steel Co. of Scotland,	Spark from electric cable,
4	Bellshill,	Sept. 6th, 8.20 a.m.	Police 6, Civilians 2,	3 miles,	12 min. from call.	Roof of No. 38 Kyle Park, Uddingston, occupied by John Downs, joiner,	Spark from chimney,
5	Cambuslang,	Sept. 6th, 12.14 p.m.	Police 5, Civilian 1,	600 yds.,	6 min. from call,	House at 17 Morriston St., Cambuslang, occupied by David M'Ausland,	Chimney on fire,
6	Cambuslang,	Sept. 6th, 4.50 p.m.	Police 5,	400 yds.,	5 min. from call.	House at 5 Bushyhill St., Cambuslang, occupied by John Waddell,	Chimney on fire,
7	Larkhall,	Sept. 7th, 5.59 p.m.	Police 6, Civilian 1,	4½ miles,	17 min. from call,	Haystack at Darngaber Farm, Quarter, occupied by Mrs. Haddow,	Unknown,
8	Larkhall,	Sept. 9th, 3.32 p.m.	Police 4, Civilian 1,	4½ miles,	18 min. from call,	Hoarding round disused pit-shaft, belonging United Collieries at Quarter,	Burning match thrown down,
9	Lanark,	Sept. 10th, 11.45 a.m.	Police 5, Civilians 3,	17 miles,	30 min. from call.	Hay-shed and hay at Boghouse Farm, Crawfordjohn, tenant James Weir,	Unknown,
10	Cambuslang,	Sept. 21st, 3.14 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	4 miles,	11 min. from call,	Thatched roof of house at Swinton, occupied by Wm. Paton, miner,	Children with matches,
11	Lanark,	Sept. 21st, 10.35 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 4,	12 miles,	35 min. from call,	Farm steading at Overdykeside Farm, on Blackwood Estate,	Unknown,
12	Larkhall,	Sept. 21st, 8.27 p.m.	Police 5,	11 miles,	33 min. from call,		
13	Bellshill,	Sept. 22nd, 7.56 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	2 miles,	9 min. from call,	Hay in shed at Townhead Farm, Tannochside, occupied by Thomas Reid,	Unknown,
14	Lanark,	Sept. 23rd, 11.15 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 4,	300 yds.,	5 min. from call,	House at 12 Broomgate St., Lanark, occupied by Alex. Morrison,	Chimney on fire,
15	Bellshill,	Sept. 26th, 1.15 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	4 miles,	10 min. from call,	Stack of hay at Lauchope Mill, Chapelhall, occupied by William Strang,	Children with matches,

FIRE BRIGADE.

OF SEVENTEEN WEEKS ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1913.

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water-Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	REMARKS.
£6,000	£1,000	Water pumped from a tank,	...	Five.	...	8.15 p.m.	
150	30	Water pumped from canal,	...	Eleven,	...	3 a.m.	
4,000	150	Water pumped from hydrant,	One,	Twelve,	No,	1.10 a.m.	
1,000	4	Water from first-aid tank on engine,	...	...	...	8.30 a.m.	
1,000	9	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	1.12 p.m.	
1,300	1	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	5.40 p.m.	
40	31	Water pumped from a burn,	...	Five,	...	9.5 p.m.	
50	10	Water pumped from pond,	...	Five,	...	5.45 p.m.	
3,000	529	Water pumped from burn,	..	Eighteen,	...	6.40 p.m.	
250	30	Water from street hydrant,	One,	Three,	Yes,	4.55 p.m.	
1,900	750	Water pumped 600 yards from Kype Water,	...	Twenty-seven,	...	4.35 a.m. 4.20 a.m.	
100	60	Water from hydrant,	One,	Sixteen,	No,	6.20 a.m.	
...	...	Allowed to burn out,	...	...	...	11.30 p.m.	
30	3	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes,	2.20 p.m.	

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
16	Cambuslang,	Sept. 29th, 9.25 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 3,	10 miles,	25 min. from call,	Wooden building, housing coal-cleaning plant, at Blackhill Colliery, Summerlee Iron & Coal Company,	Unknown,
17	Lanark,	Oct. 7th, 12.42 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 3,	8 miles,	23 min. from call,	Canvas portable picture show, belonging to Mrs. Johnstone, and erected at Ponfeigh,	Sparks from a passing loco. engine,
18	Larkhall,	Oct. 12th, 6.30 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 2,	600 yds.,	6 min. from call,	Garage belonging to Dr. M'Kay, Machan Road, Larkhall,	Overheated flue,
19	Larkhall,	Oct. 18th, 1.11 a.m.	Police 5, Civilians 5,	7 miles,	23 min. from call,	Meal mill at Sandford, belonging to James S. Miller,	Overheating of drying kiln,
20	Cambuslang,	Oct. 18th, 9.30 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 2,	100 yds.,	4 min. from call,	House occupied by William Irvine, a miner, at 12 Mansion Street, Cambuslang.	Paraffin oil lamp upset,
21	Bellshill,	Oct. 19th, 7.3 p.m.	Police 5, Civilian 1,	5 miles,	17 min. from call,	Haulage engine-house, at No. 1 Pit, Blantyre Collieries, owned by Wm. Dixon, Ltd.,	Burning bing adjoining,
22	[1]Larkhall,	Oct. 21st, 9.40 a.m.	Police 7,	4 miles,	13 min. from call,	Villa in Auchingramont Road, Hamilton, owned by Alex. Ross, writer,	Escaping gas,
23	[2]Cambuslang,	Oct. 23rd, 4.35 p.m.	Police 6, Civilian 1,	400 yds.,	5 min. from call,	Fish and chip potato shop at 81 Main Street, Cambuslang — occupier, Philip Roberts,	Grease got ignited from open fire,
24	Bellshill,	Oct. 24th, 5.27 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	4½ miles,	15 min. from call,	Pile of telegraph poles laid near Blantyre Railway Station, property of the Post Office,	Children with matches,
25	Bellshill,	Oct. 25th, 1.17 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 4,	5 miles,	13 min. from call,	Hay and corn in stack at Langmuir Farm, Bargeddie—occupier, John Brownlie,	Children with matches,
26	Larkhall,	Oct. 25th, 6.48 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 3,	8 miles,	22 min. from call,	Wooden shed, containing old boxes and barrels, owned by John Cooper, box hawker,	Children with lighted candle,
27	Larkhall,	Oct. 26th, 7 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	1½ miles,	7 min. from call,	Hay and farm implements in shed at Birkenshaw Farm — occupier, John Lowe,	Believed wilful,
28	Bellshill,	Nov. 1st, 7.7 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 4,	7 miles,	18 min. from call,	Wooden oil-store in Glenboig, belonging to John Murphy, grocer,	Lighted match dropped,
29	[3]Bellshill,	Nov. 3rd, 6.50 a.m.	Police 6, Civilians 3,	...	...	...	...
	Cambuslang,	Nov. 3rd, 7.5 a.m.	Police 7, Civilian 1,	6 miles,	20 min. from call,	Engine shed at Bredisholm Colliery, owned by Caledonian Railway Company,	Spark off lamp,

[1]Brigade called to assist Hamilton Burgh Brigade as by agreement.
[2]The shop was closed at the time the grease caught fire and sent off volumes of smoke alarming the neighbours, who called Brigade.
[3]Engine broke down on the way and Cambuslang engine was called, and after extinguishing the fire towed Bellshill engine back to Garage.

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water-Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	Remarks.
£1,500	£1,000	Pumping from pit pond,	...	Twelve,	...	1.10 a.m.	
1,100	100	Chemical extinguishers,	...	...	...	1.50 p.m.	
200	10s.	Chemical extinguishers,	...	...	...	6.58 p.m.	
950	450	Pumping water from mill dam,	...	Five,	...	7.40 a.m.	
1,200	40	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes,	10.5 p.m.	
150	100	Water from hydrant,	One,	Six,	No,	9.25 p.m.	
...	...	...	...	...	...	12.10 p.m.	
...	...	...	...	...	...	4.45 p.m.	
100	70	Water from hydrant,	One,	Three,	No,	7.25 p.m.	
750	166	Water from hydrant and turning over the hay,	One,	Nineteen,	Yes,	12.25 a.m.	
100	100	Water from hydrants,	Two,	Six,	Yes,	9.25 p.m.	
1,000	160	Water from hydrants,	One,	Eleven,	Yes,	3 a.m.	
19	19	Water from hy drant,	One,	Three,	Yes,	8.27 p.m.	
...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
900	50	Water pumped from pond,	...	...	...	9.30 a.m.	

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
30	Cambuslang,	Nov. 6th, 7.55 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	5 miles,	15 min. from call,	Cornstack at Whitemoss, East Kilbride, owned by William Semple, farmer,	Unknown,
31	Larkhall,	Nov. 11th, 12.2 p.m.	Police 6,	12 miles,	34 min. from call,	Corn and hay in shed at Westlinbank Farm, Strathaven; occupier, James Shearer.	Sparks from a chimney,
32	Bellshill,	Nov. 14th, 7.6 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 3,	3¼ miles.	14 min. from call,	Engine-house at Dixon's No. 1 Colliery, Carfin; Wm. Dixon, Ltd., coal-masters, owners,	Overheating of drying stove,
33	Cambuslang,	Nov. 16th, 10.41 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 2,	9 miles,	24 min. from call,	Sacks in smithy at St. Mary's Industrial School, Bishopbriggs; owned by the directors.	Unknown,
34	Larkhall,	Nov. 18th, 3.55 p.m.	Police 5, Civilian 1,	7½ miles,	23 min. from call,	Bell tower on Dalzell House stables; property of Lord Hamilton of Dalzell,	Defective chimney
35	Cambuslang,	Nov. 26th, 7.35 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	3 miles,	11 min. from call,	House of Samuel Mackie, tailor, at 30 Balgair Terrace, Budhill,	Spark from room fire,
36	Cambuslang,	Nov. 27th, 6.55 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 2,	5 miles,	20 min. from call,	Cornstack at Whitemoss Farm, East Kilbride; owned by Wm. Semple, farmer,	Unknown,
37	Cambuslang,	Nov. 29th, 2.56 p.m.	Police 6, Civilian 1,	8 miles,	29 min. from call,	Haystacks at Midtown Farm, Gartcosh; occupied by Andrew Adam, farmer,	Unknown,
38	Cambuslang,	Nov. 29th, 11·3 a.m.	Police 7,	2 miles,	7 min. from call,	Cornstalks at Fishieton Farm, Cambuslang; owned by Wm. Fleming, farmer,	Children with lights,
39	Larkhall,	Dec. 6th, 1.52 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 2,	½ mile,	6 min. from call,	Roof of house occupied by Wm. Hilson, miner, 56 Raploch Street, Larkhall,	Chimney on fire,
40	Cambuslang,	Dec. 11th, 10.55 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	100 yards,	5 min. from call,	Joists under floor of house at 23 Mansion street; occupied by William Gillespie, miner,	Kindling fire on hearth,
41	Biggar,	Dec. 13th, 4 p.m.	Police 1, Civilians 3,	200 yards,	5 min. from call,	Joists under floor of house in Main Street, Biggar; occupied by John Kidd, labourer,	Chimney on fire,
42	Lanark,	Dec. 17th, 12.15 p.m.	Police 6, Civilians 2,	7 miles,	20 min. from call,	Hay in shed at Lochlyock Farm, Carmichael; occupied by John Lohoar, farmer,	Unknown,
43	Bellshill,	Dec. 20th, 6.46 p.m.	Police 4, Civilians 4,	4 miles,	14 min. from call,	Vestry of U.F. Church, Blantyre,	Overheated flue,
44	Bellshill,	Dec. 21st, 7.44 p.m.	Police 3, Civilians 4,	3½ miles,	16 min. from call,	Roof of disused weigh-house; owners, William Dixon, Ltd., Carfin,	Sparks from fire,

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£56	£7	Water from hydrant,	One,	Eleven,	Yes,	9.55 p.m.	
732	122	Water pumped from Avon,	...	Seventeen,	...	9.55 p.m.	
200	100	Water from hydrant,	One,	Nine,	No,	8.45 p.m.	
1,000	£2 10s.	Pails of water,	...	...	...	11.50 p.m.	Extinguished before Brigade arrived.
400	130	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes,	6.15 p.m.	Servants practically extinguished the fire. Motherwell Brigade was also present.
500	7	Chemical extinguishers,	...	...	...	8.12 p.m.	
56	7	Water from hydrant.	One,	Eleven,	Yes,	8.25 p.m.	
60	60	Turning over and burned out; no water,	...	...	...	4.57 a.m.	
360	40	Pumping water from a burn,	...	Ten,	...	2.35 p.m.	
100	10s.	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	2.30 p.m.	
500	5	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	11.25 p.m.	
100	£1 10s.	Water from hydrant,	One,	Three,	Yes,	4.45 p.m.	
350	350	Water pumped from mill-pond,	...	Six,	...	5.55 p.m.	
2,000	40	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes,	8.32 p.m.	
10	10s.	Cutting away burning parts,	...	..	...	9 p.m.	

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain,*
Firemaster.

FIRE BRIGADES.

22nd April, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.	JAMES HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.
J. RAESIDE AULD.	JAMES KELLY.
A. H. J. BRIGGS.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
Colonel BUCHANAN.	WALTER LINDSAY.
JAMES CAMERON.	PETER MACAUSLAN.
JOHN CAMPBELL.	ALEXANDER PILLANS.
OWEN COYLE.	Colonel KING STEWART.
WILLIAM DAVIE.	WILLIAM SYM.
JAMES H. FENTON.	DAVID THOMSON.
GEORGE FRASER.	WILLIAM B. THOMSON.

JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, Firemaster.

Chairman.

Mr. Fenton, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th February, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Minutes of sub-committee.

There were also laid before the meeting—

(1) Minutes of meetings of the Fire Brigades Sub-Committee, of dates 26th March and 1st April; and

(2) Minutes of a joint-meeting with the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, of date 26th March;

(forming Appendices I., II., and III., respectively, to this minute), copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee, and the same were approved of.

Statement prepared for information of Burghs.

As relative to the minutes of the Fire Brigades Sub-Committee, of date 1st April, the Clerk submitted a statement (which forms an appendix to that minute), which had been adjusted by the sub-committee, and thereafter transmitted to the Town-Clerks of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw.

Meeting approved.

The meeting approved of these minutes and of the statement referred to.

Report by Firemaster.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a report (Appendix IV.) by the Firemaster, containing a record of fires which had occurred since the date of last meeting, and relating to other matters, and he stated that a copy of the report had been sent to each member of the committee.

Wages of driver constables increased.

With reference to the wages of the three driver constables referred to in the Firemaster's report, the meeting agreed that an increase of 4s. per week should be granted.

Proposed arrangement with Burgh of Rutherglen.

As relative to the fire which had occurred at the Clyde Paper Company's Works, Rutherglen, the meeting remitted to the Clerk and the Firemaster to endeavour to arrange with the Burgh of Rutherglen terms upon which the services of the County Fire Brigade and the Burgh Brigade would be mutually available, and to report.

Fire at Rutherglen. — Account from Corporation of Glasgow.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting an account, amounting to £20 15s. 7d., which he had received from the Corporation of Glasgow in respect of the services rendered by the City Fire Brigade in connection with the fire at the Clyde Paper Company's Works.

Payment to be refused.

There was also submitted a report by the Firemaster, which was to the effect that the City Fire Brigade had not been called either on his authority or on the authority of any of his men, and, in the circumstances, the Clerk was instructed to decline liability for payment of the account.

Fire hydrants.—Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed, he had addressed communications to the several District Committees and the Burghs of Lanark and Biggar, requesting them to have the position of fire hydrants within their respective areas clearly marked, either by enamel plates or otherwise, and he submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee, inquiring in what position the question of hydrants on main water pipes of other Local Authorities passing through the district now stands.

Letter from Middle Ward District Committee.

He also submitted a letter from the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, stating that the Water Engineer had been instructed to carry out the work suggested, and giving the estimated cost at £300.

Burghs of Lanark and Biggar.

With regard to the Burghs of Lanark and Biggar, the Clerk stated that he had advised the Town-Clerks that it was understood that the cost of carrying out the work suggested would be paid by each of the Public Health Authorities, and that no part of it would fall upon the Fire Brigade Account.

Remit to Clerk.

The meeting approved, and remitted to the Clerk to adjust the matter of accounting with the District Committees, so as to avoid any misunderstanding.

Bishopbriggs Police and Fire Station.—Statement as to cost.

There was submitted to the meeting a statement by the Clerk, showing the cost of the Bishopbriggs Police and Fire Station to be estimated at £3,500, of which sum £1,300 was the estimated cost of providing accommodation for the Fire Brigade.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADE SUB-COMMITTEE.

26th March, 1914.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Thursday, 26th March, 1914, being a Meeting of a Sub-Committee of the Fire Brigade Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN. | JAMES H. FENTON.
JOHN CAMPBELL. | GEORGE FRASER.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, Firemaster.

Chairman. Mr. Fenton in the chair.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 8th January, 1914, which had been submitted to and approved by the Fire Brigade Committee, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Apologies for absence. Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Robert Lambie and Mr. W. B. Thomson.

Memorandum by Clerk. The Clerk submitted to the meeting a Supplementary Memorandum (Appendix) which he had prepared of the various Schemes which had been previously discussed at meetings with representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, containing an alternative Scheme suggested by the Firemaster.

Conference with Burghs. — Alternative Scheme to be submitted. The meeting, after discussion, agreed to submit the further alternative Scheme suggested by the Firemaster to the Conference with the representatives of the Burghs, which had been arranged to take place following this meeting.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

SUPPLEMENTARY MEMORANDUM with regard to the various Schemes suggested to the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw.

For the information of the Sub-Committee appointed to confer with representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, on this subject there is appended copy of the Memorandum previously issued explanatory of the various Schemes which were the subject of discussion at former meetings with representatives of the Burghs.

These Schemes have been submitted to and considered by the Town Councils of the respective Burghs, and although no official intimation has been received of the result of the Town Councils consideration, it is understood that the position now is as follows:—

(1) HAMILTON.—The Town Council, while they have come to no definite decision in the matter, are inclined to the view that they should adopt Scheme No. 1.

(2) MOTHERWELL.—The Town Council have also delayed coming to any definite determination, but are disposed to look upon Scheme No. 2 as being best suited to meet the circumstances of the Burgh.

(3) WISHAW.—The Town Council have agreed to adopt Scheme No. 3 as being most likely to meet the requirements of the Burgh.

Since the last Conference with the representatives of the Burghs on the question, the Firemaster has given further consideration to the matter, and he now suggests another alternative Scheme which would possibly afford facilities of greater advantage to the Burghs, and at the same time render the services of the Brigade more efficient in the County area. The Scheme is as follows:—

(1) That there should be established at Wishaw a fully equipped Fire Brigade Section, with Motor Fire Engine and other appliances.

The Burgh appliances would be taken over by the County. The Fire Brigade would be manned partly by Constables and partly by members of the existing Burgh Brigade, the total number of the staff being twelve.

This scheme would give Wishaw a first-class Station and would afford much better protection to that part of the County north-east of the Clyde than at present exists.

(2) That a Fire Brigade Section should be established at Motherwell, and that the motor tender now at Cambuslang be removed to Motherwell.

As in the case of Wishaw, the Burgh appliances would be taken over by the County, and the Brigade would consist of twelve men, partly constables and partly members of the existing Burgh Fire Brigade.

This proposal, if given effect to, would secure to Motherwell, which has a good supply of gravitation water, a very efficient Brigade for dealing with all fires that could be reached from hydrants. There would in addition be available to the Burgh in case of need, the motor pump at Bellshill, within two miles of its northern boundary, and another at Wishaw, within one and a-half miles of its southern boundary.

(3) That if the motor tender be removed, as suggested, from Cambuslang to Motherwell, a new motor pump should be procured for the Cambuslang Station.

Under this Scheme, Hamilton Burgh would also benefit materially, as they would have available, should necessity arise, in addition to the existing Brigades at Larkhall and Bellshill, those proposed to be established at Motherwell and Wishaw.

It is suggested, however, that as regards Hamilton, the local fire appliances should be maintained by the Town Council for the purpose of dealing with small outbreaks of fire.

The following is an estimate of the capital cost which would be involved in carrying out the above scheme, viz.:—

Two motor pumps, - - - - -	£2,120 0 0
Appliances for two engines, - - - -	400 0 0
Uniforms and accoutrements for 24 men, -	120 0 0
Cost of a Fire Station, - - - - -	450 0 0
	£3,090 0 0

It is estimated that the annual upkeep of the two new Fire Brigade Sections would amount to about £400, which, however, does not include any allowance in respect of interest or depreciation. This may be estimated at £370 5s. 11d., involving a total annual charge of £770 5s. 11d. To this would fall to be added the cost of the local arrangements in Hamilton, say £120. The total annual cost of the scheme would thus be £890 5s. 11d.

If this were shared by the three burghs according to valuation, the annual charge on each would be—

Hamilton, - - - - - - -	£312 14 2
Motherwell, - - - - - - -	£393 0 11
Wishaw, - - - - - - -	£184 10 10

This arrangement would, accordingly, be a more economical one for the burghs than Scheme No. III., and it would involve the County in no additional expense, while it would, to some extent, improve the efficiency of the Brigade from the County point of view.

Hamilton, *March*, 1914.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

MEMORANDUM explanatory of the various Schemes discussed at the Meeting, held at Hamilton on Thursday, 8th January, 1914, between Representatives of the County Council and of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, with a view to the better protection against outbreaks of fire within the Burghs named.

Scheme No. 1.

That each of the Burghs should provide itself with a Local Fire Brigade sufficiently equipped as to deal effectively with small outbreaks of fire, and that an arrangement should be concluded with the Corporation of Glasgow or with the County Council, whereby the Burghs would be entitled to call in the services of either of the respective Fire Brigades as occasion required, the payment to be made to the Corporation of Glasgow or the County Council, as the case may be, being equivalent to twice the actual cost of the Brigade's attendance at each fire.

Scheme No. 2.

That the three Burghs should combine and provide a thoroughly-equipped Fire Brigade, consisting of civilians, whose whole time would be devoted to the work. The Brigade to consist of and be equipped as follows:—

(1) A Fire Brigade Station, comprising engine house, with workshop, &c., accommodation for firemaster, 3 firemen and 2 drivers, hose-drying tower, &c., the site being the Old Toll, Windmillhill Street, Motherwell.

(2) A turbine motor fire engine of 60 horse power, having a pump capable of delivering 400 gallons per minute at 120 lbs. pressure; engine to be fitted with all necessary requirements of modern type, to have two spare wheels, complete electric light equipment with dynamo for same, and also self-starting device for engine, suction hose, &c.

(3) The new 40-feet telescopic ladder belonging to the Burgh of Motherwell This should be fitted to the engine with overhead brackets.

(4) The other equipment necessary, such as hose, couplings, jumping sheet, &c.

and that the above provision should be in addition to the existing local or first-aid appliances in the three Burghs, which, if necessary, should be improved, in order to cope effectively with small outbreaks. The cost of the scheme, including the cost of the local appliances, is estimated at £912.

Scheme No. 3.

That the Local Fire Brigade in each of the three Burghs should, if necessary, be improved so as to deal effectively with small outbreaks of fire, and that an arrangement be come to with the County Council for the services of the County Fire Brigade being made available within the Burghs. The terms suggested under this arrangement are as follows:—That each of the Burghs should pay to the County a sum equivalent to the amount which the rate leviable in the County, for the time being for Fire Brigade purposes, would yield if levied within the Burgh, but that from such sum there should fall to be deducted a sum equal to the actual cost of maintaining the local fire brigade.

Under this Scheme the County Council would fall to be reasonably satisfied as to the adequacy of the Local Fire Brigades for the purposes for which they are intended. On the other hand, the Burgh Authorities would fall to be satisfied as to the efficiency of the County Fire Brigade and its adequacy to meet their requirements.

In the event of such an arrangement as indicated being come to between the County and the Burghs, it is further suggested that, in order to supplement the provision in the County and to ensure adequate protection to the Burghs, there should be established at Wishaw, or at such other place as may be mutually agreed on, a fully-equipped Fire Brigade with Motor Fire Engine and other appliances.

In the event of a Fire Brigade being established at Wishaw under an arrangement such as indicated, a Local Fire Brigade would be unnecessary, and accordingly the Burgh in that case would fall to pay to the County, without deduction, a sum equivalent to the amount which the rate leviable in the County, for the time being, would yield if levied in the Burgh.

For the sake of reference, there is appended to this Memorandum:—

(1) A Table showing the strength, classification, and distribution of the County Fire Brigade; and

(2) A Statement of the cost of the County Fire Brigade for 1913, together with other information as to valuation of the County and Burghs.

APPENDIX No. I.

TABLE SHOWING THE STRENGTH, CLASSIFICATION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE COUNTY FIRE BRIGADE.

STATIONS.	STAFF.	TOTAL.	APPLIANCES.
Headquarters—HAMILTON,	1 Firemaster, 1 Instructor, 1 Clerk, and 3 Firemen (police),	6	
Do. LARKHALL,	10 Firemen (police), 5 Firemen (civilians) and 1 Mechanic,	16	1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump; 94 feet suction hose; 3,390 feet canvas and other hose.
Do. LANARK,	8 Firemen (police), 5 Firemen (civilians), and 1 Mechanic,	14	1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump; 80 feet suction hose; 3,390 feet canvas and other hose.
Do. BELLSHILL,	10 Firemen (police), 4 Firemen (civilians), and 1 Mechanic,	15	1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump; 40 feet suction hose; 3,390 feet canvas and other hose.
Do. CAMBUSLANG,	18 Firemen (police), 3 Firemen (civilians), and 1 Mechanic,	22	*1 Motor Fire Engine, with pump, and 1 Motor Fire Tender; 63 feet suction hose; 6,900 feet canvas and other hose.

* It is probable that the Fire Tender presently stationed at Cambuslang will be removed to Bishopbriggs so soon as the Fire Station there in course of erection is completed.

NOTE.—There are several Local Fire Brigades scattered throughout the County which form part of the County establishment, but these are not taken account of in the above Table.

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APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

Estimated cost, 1913-14, - - - £3,751

Assessable Valuation of County, - - £1,850,000

Equal to a rate of ½d. per £.

½d.	on Valuation of	Burgh of Hamilton (£163,605)	-	would yield	£341.
½d.	do.	Motherwell (£205,428)	-	do.	428.
½d.	do.	Wishaw (£96,467)	-	do.	201.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES SUB-COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 1st April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Fire Brigades Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 1st April, 1914.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.	George Fraser.
John Campbell.	Robert Lambie.
James H. Fenton.	David Thomson.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Firemaster.

Mr. Fenton, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 26th March, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the sub-committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of a joint-meeting with the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, of date 26th March, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the sub-committee, were also submitted and approved of. *Minutes of Joint-Meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a supplementary statement, which he had prepared for the information of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw, of date 26th March, 1914, which had been printed and sent authorised the Clerk to transmit it to the Town-Clerks of the Burghs, subject to the same being approved by the Fire Brigades Committee. A copy of the Statement referred to forms an appendix to this minute. *Statement prepared for information of burghs.*

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

STATEMENT prepared for the information of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw.

For the sake of reference, there is appended hereto, a copy of the Memorandum explanatory of the various Schemes discussed at meetings with representatives of the Burghs, prior to the meeting held at Hamilton on 26th March, 1914.

The County Fire Brigade Committee submit the following proposals for the consideration of the Burghs by way of an alternative to the several Schemes outlined in the Memorandum referred to, viz:—

(1) That there should be established at Wishaw a fully equipped Fire Brigade Section, with Motor Fire Engine and other appliances.

The Burgh appliances would be taken over by the County. The Fire Brigade would be manned partly by Constables and partly by members of the existing Burgh Brigade, the total number of the staff being twelve.

This scheme would give Wishaw a first-class Station, and would afford much better protection to that part of the County north-east of the Clyde than at present exists.

(2) That a Fire Brigade Section should be established at Motherwell, and that the motor tender now at Cambuslang be removed to Motherwell.

As in the case of Wishaw, the Burgh appliances would be taken over by the County, and the Brigade would consist of twelve men, partly Constables and partly members of the existing Burgh Fire Brigade.

This proposal, if given effect to, would secure to Motherwell, which has a good supply of gravitation water, a very efficient Brigade for dealing with all fires that could be reached from hydrants. There would, in addition, be available to the Burgh, in case of need, the motor pump at Bellshill, within two miles of its northern boundary, and another at Wishaw, within one and a-half miles of its southern boundary.

(3) That if the motor tender be removed, as suggested, from Cambuslang to Motherwell, a new motor pump should be procured for the Cambuslang Station.

Under this scheme Hamilton Burgh would also benefit materially, as they would have available, should necessity arise, in addition to the existing Brigades at Larkhall and Bellshill, those proposed to be established at Motherwell and Wishaw.

It is suggested, however, that, as regards Hamilton, the local fire appliances should be maintained by the Town Council for the purpose of dealing with small outbreaks of fire.

The following is an estimate of the capital cost which would be involved in carrying out the above scheme, viz.:—

Two motor pumps, ...	£2,120	0	0
Appliances for two engines, ...	400	0	0
Uniforms and accoutrements for 24 men, ...	120	0	0
Cost of a Fire Station, ...	450	0	0
	£3,090	0	0

It is estimated that the annual upkeep of the two new Fire Brigade Sections would amount to about £400, which, however, does not include any allowance in respect of interest or depreciation. This may be estimated at £370 5s. 11d., involving a total annual charge of £770 5s. 11d. To this would fall to be added the cost of the local arrangements in Hamilton, say £120. The total annual cost of the scheme would thus be £890 5s. 11d.

If this were shared by the three burghs according to valuation, the annual charge on each would be—

Hamilton, ...	£312	14	2
Motherwell, ...	393	0	11
Wishaw, ...	184	10	10

If Wishaw alone of the three Burghs decide to enter into an arrangement with the County, the conditions stated in Scheme No. 3 of the Memorandum appended hereto would apply.

If both Wishaw and Motherwell agree to enter into an arrangement with the County, the conditions stated in Scheme No. 3 would apply generally, but the Committee are prepared in addition to provide at Motherwell a Fire Brigade Section, as indicated above.

As in that event both Burghs would be provided with fully equipped Fire Brigade Sections, which would form part of and in case of need be supplemented by the general County Fire Brigade establishment, the payment to be made by each of the Burghs would be a sum equivalent to the amount which the rate leviable in the County for the time being for Fire Brigade purposes would yield if levied within the respective Burghs.

With respect to the Burgh of Hamilton, the Committee having regard to the fact that the Burgh is not policed by the County, and having also in view the ample provision, which would be made if the above proposals were given effect to for dealing with fires in the Burgh, do not see their way to agree to establish a Fire Brigade Section within the Burgh.

In the event of the Burghs of Hamilton and Motherwell deciding to provide for themselves a Fire Brigade adequate to meet ordinary requirements, and desiring to be allowed to call in the services of the County Fire Brigade when necessity arose, the Committee are prepared to give such services on the following terms, viz:—A retaining fee of £20 per annum, and twice the actual cost involved in connection with the attendance at fires within the Burghs of the County Fire Brigade, or any section thereof.

(The Memorandum printed on pages 25 to 28 also formed an Appendix to the above Statement.)

APPENDIX III.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

26th March, 1914

At HAMILTON, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Thursday, 26th March, 1914, being a Meeting between a Sub-Committee of the County Fire Brigade Committee and Representatives of the Burghs of Hamilton, Motherwell, and Wishaw.

Present—

As representing the County Fire Brigade Sub-Committee—

Colonel BUCHANAN.	GEORGE FRASER.
JOHN CAMPBELL.	Captain DESPARD, Firemaster.
JAMES H. FENTON.	Sir THOMAS MUNRO, County Clerk.

As representing the Burghs—

(1) *Burgh of Hamilton.*

Councillor GRAHAM. | Councillor MACPHERSON.

P. M. KIRKPATRICK, Town Clerk.

(2) *Burgh of Motherwell.*

Provost WILSON.	Councillor FROOD.
Bailie M'KENDRICK.	Councillor PATERSON.
Councillor MACNEILL.	JAMES BURNS, Town Clerk.

(3) *Burgh of Wishaw.*

Councillor INGRAM. | Councillor M'MAHON.

JAMES RAMSAY, Town Clerk Depute.

Statement by Sir Thomas Munro.

The County Clerk having, on behalf of the County Sub-Committee, explained to the representatives of the burghs the details of the alternative scheme outlined in the Supplementary Memorandum, which forms an appendix to the minutes of the sub-committee held this day, stated that the County Sub-Committee would be glad to consider any observations or suggestions which the representatives of the burghs might have to offer in regard to the scheme, or to any of the others which had been previously discussed.

Further particulars to be obtained.

After general discussion, and representatives of the burghs having expressed their views in the matter, it was agreed that the County Clerk should prepare, for the information and consideration of the burghs, a statement setting forth the outlines of the scheme now suggested, together with the terms upon which, failing the adoption by all or any of the burghs concerned of any of the schemes suggested, the County would be prepared to make the services of the County Fire Brigade available within the burghs when called upon.

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FIRE BRIGADES.

Chief Constable's Office,
Hamilton, 17th April, 1914.

GENTLEMEN,

Mechanic Duff, stationed at Lanark, has resigned, and, subject to your approval, I have appointed a driver-constable. There are now three driver-constables who have sole charge of motor vehicles, and receive extra remuneration, but do not receive fire pay if called out to a fire. In some cases it has been found that at the end of a month these men, who have all the care and trouble in looking after the fire engines, do not receive as much pay as the men who are merely firemen. *Resignation of Lanark mechanic, &c.*

I think the case of these men deserves consideration.

On February 8th, there was a very serious fire at the Clyde Paper Company's Works, Rutherglen, in which buildings, containing woodpulp to the value of £10,000, were destroyed. There were present at the fire, Cambuslang pump and tender, one pump from the City of Glasgow, and one from the Burgh of Rutherglen. A good supply of water was obtained from a reservoir in the works, supplemented by the gravitation water supply. The efforts of the fire brigade were fortunately successful in saving the main buildings, which contained a large amount of valuable machinery. *Clyde Works fire.*

It is worthy of note that the Dennis motor pump from Cambuslang worked continuously for 24 hours without a hitch of any kind.

The petrol consumption was 86 gallons, at which it may be taken that 85 gallons were used in pumping.

This was the first occasion on which the Rutherglen fire engine was called in to assist at a County fire, and I shall be glad to know definitely what the arrangements with this Burgh are for mutual assistance. When Rutherglen engine is called out to a fire, either within the Burgh or out, Cambuslang detachment of the County Brigade is asked to be ready to assist if called upon.

I beg to hand in a statement showing the number of fires attended during the three months ending 31st March, 1914. *Statement of fires.*

I have the honour to be,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servant,

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain.*
Firemaster.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS,
FIRE BRIGADE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK

RECORD OF FIRES ATTENDED BY THE BRIGADE FOR PERIOD

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
1	Cambuslang,	Jan. 1, 11.45 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 1,	¾ mile,	7 min. from call,	Cottage occupied by Wm. Lindsay, traveller, 57 West Coats Road, Cambuslang,	Chimney on fire,
2	Lanark, -	Jan. 5, 2.40 p.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 3,	800 yards,	5 min. from call,	Roof of house occupied by Hugh Frood, spirit merchant, 1 Wellgatehead, Lanark,	Chimney on fire,
3	Bellshill, -	Jan. 9, 8.10 a.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 2,	2½ miles,	9 min. from call,	Petrol store at the works of Halton, Ltd., Uddingston,	Ignition of petrol off lamp,
4	E. Kilbride,	Jan. 10, 8.50 a.m.,	Police 2, Civilians 2,	400 yards,	10 min. from call,	Roof of dwelling-house of Peter Devlin, Main St., East Kilbride,	Chimney on fire.
5	Bellshill, -	Jan. 12, 10.30 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 4,	¾ mile,	6 min. from call,	Engine seat in William Beardmore & Co.'s works, Mossend,	Ignition of accumulated gas,
6	Larkhall, -	Jan. 13, 4 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 2,	6 miles,	30 min. from call,	Cottage occupied by Thos. Smith at Chapel, near Morningside,	Spark from kitchen fire,
7	Larkhall, -	Jan. 15, 2.29 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 4,	100 yards,	3 min. from call,	Picture house in Larkhall, belonging to George Scott, entertainer,	Fused electric wire,
8	Biggar, -	Jan. 15, 8.30 p.m.,	Police 2, Civilians 3,	2 miles,	15 min. from call,	Chauffeur's house at Carwood, Biggar, Mrs. Denniston Mitchell's,	Defect in chimney
	Lanark, -	8.40 p.m.,	Police 3, Civilians 2,	13½ miles,	30 mins.,	Do.	...
9	Lanark, -	Jan. 24, 6.2 a.m.,	Police 7, Civilians 3,	2¾ miles,	13 min. from call,	Bonnington House. Owner, Sir Charles Ross,	Unknown.
10	Bellshill, -	Jan. 26, 8.15 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	2½ miles,	10 min. from call,	Office of the Uddingston Co-operative Society, Ltd., Old Mill Rd., Uddingston,	Spark from open grate,
11	Biggar, -	Jan. 27, 12.30 p.m.,	Police 2, Civilians 2,	3½ miles,	20 min. from call,	Small farm house and byre occupied by Thos. Shiels, East Mains, Coulter,	Chimney on fire,
	Lanark, -	12.50 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	13 miles,	30 mins.,	Do.	Chimney on fire,
12	Cambuslang,	Jan. 28, 7.50 p.m.	Police 5, Civilians 2,	2 miles,	8 min. from call,	House of Mrs. M'Cartney at Eastfield, Cambuslang.	Chimney on fire,
13	Larkhall, -	Feb. 4, 3.56 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 2,	4 miles,	14 min. from call,	Bakehouse in Stonehouse occupied by Mr. Jackson,	Overheated ovens,

FIRE BRIGADE.

OF THIRTEEN WEEKS ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1914.

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	REMARKS.
£300	£2 0 0	Cutting out burning beam,	One,	Six,	Yes,	12.40 a.m.	
500	30 0 0	Cutting away burning part,	One,	One,	...	3.40 p.m.	
15	15 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One	Three,	Yes,	8.50 a.m.	
200	1 5 0	Cutting away burning parts,	...	...	...	9.50 a.m.	
5,000	20 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	Eight,	Yes,	11.35 p.m.	
100	1 5 0	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	5.20 a.m.	
1,000	60 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	One,	Yes,	4 a.m.	
200	10 0 0	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	10 p.m.	
...	...	...	...	...	...	10 p.m.	
8,300	6,000 0 0	Water pumped from a stream,	...	...	...	3.40 p.m.	House furnished, but unoccupied.
4,000	30 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two,	Yes,	9.25 p.m.	
250	40 0 0	Water pumped from a stream,	...	...	..	3 p.m.	
250	40 0 0	Do.	...	...	...	3.20 p.m.	
200	5 0 0	Chemical extinguishers,	...	..	..	8.40 p.m.	Recalled at 11 p.m. same night.
1,100	150 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	Five,	Yes,	6.10 p.m.	

No.	Station Called.	Date and Hour of Call.	No. of Firemen (Police and Civilians) who answered.	Distance from Station to Fire.	Time of Arrival at Fire.	Class of Premises on Fire. Address and Name of Occupier.	Supposed Cause of Fire.
14	Cambuslang,	Feb. 8, 6.48 p.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 1,	2 miles,	7 min. from call,	Woodpulp sheds at the Clyde Paper Company's Works, Eastfield, Rutherglen,	Spark from an adjoining works stalk,
	C'lang Tender,	7 p.m.,	Police 6,	...	7 min.	Do.,	...
	Rutherglen,	8.20 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 3,	1½ miles,	10 min.	Do.,	...
15	Strathaven,	Feb. 9, 12.40 a.m.,	Police 3, Civilians 1,	300 yards,	7 min. from call,	A greenhouse at 19 South-end Street, Strathaven, belonging to Wm. Ballantyne,	Overheated flue,
16	Lanark,	Feb. 10, 10.20 a.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 2,	700 yards,	5 min. from call,	House of James Smith, a tailor, Wellgatehead, Lanark,	Cinder from grate,
17	Cambuslang,	Feb. 14, 1.55 a.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 1,	¼ mile,	5 min. from call,	Grocery cellar, at 175 Main Street, Cambuslang, owned by Wm. Grant & Co.,	Gas left burning,
18	Bellshill,	Feb. 14, 7.18 a.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 3,	6 miles,	18 min. from call,	Grocery shop of G. Murphy and public house of R. Chapman, in village of Glenboig,	Fusing of an electric wire,
19	Bellshill,	Feb. 13, 4.45 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 1,	2 miles,	8 min. from call,	House and restaurant occupied by John Smith in New Stevenston,	Ignition of boiling fat,
20	Lanark,	Feb. 16, 2.27 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 1,	6½ miles,	33 min. from call,	Drying sheds of the Clydesdale Brick and Quarry Company at Auchinheath,	Overheated flues,
21	Bellshill,	Feb. 19, 12.13 a.m.,	Police 3, Civilians 4,	200 yards,	4 min. from call,	Dwelling-house, 354 Main Street, Bellshill, occupied by George Cairns, miner,	Ignition of escaping gas,
22	Bellshill,	Feb. 21, 1.59 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 3,	13 miles,	30 min. from call,	Hay in shed belonging to the Shotts and Dykehead Co-operative Society, Ltd., Dykehead,	Burning match dropped,
23	Bellshill,	Mar. 4, 3.58 p.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 1,	¼ mile,	4 min. from call,	House in Cross Mansions, Bellshill, occupied by Joseph Bagdonar, tailor,	Boy with matches,
24	Cambuslang,	Mar. 5, 7.5 p.m.,	Police 6, Civilians 2,	2 miles,	7 min. from call,	Oil store at Carmyle Dye Works, occupied by James Park & Co., Carmyle,	Dropped cigarette end,
25	Bellshill,	Mar. 25, 1.20 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 2,	400 yards,	4 min. from call,	Dwelling-house occupied by a Polish miner in Wotherspoon's Land, Bellshill,	Clothing drying in front of fire,
26	Bellshill,	Mar. 28, 4.20 p.m.,	Police 4, Civilians 1,	300 yards,	4 min. from call,	Fish restaurant occupied by Joseph Betti, Main Street, Bellshill,	Boiling fat in fire,
27	Lanark,	Mar. 30, 5.25 p.m.,	Police 5, Civilians 2,	1¼ miles,	10 min. from call,	Hayshed and barn at Jerviswood, Mains, occupied by George Findlater, Farme,	Boy with matches,

Estimated Value of Property on Fire (Building and Contents).	Estimated Value of Property Destroyed.	By what means was the Fire extinguished?	No. of Hydrants in use.	No. of Lengths of Hose in use.	Was the Water Pressure satisfactory?	Return of Engine and Firemen to Station.	Remarks.
£90,000	£10,000 0 0	Water from hydrants, and pumped from pond,	Four	28	Yes,	8 p.m., 9th,	A Detachment of Glasgow Brigade was also assisting for fully 3 hours; in all eleven lines of hose were directed against the fire.
						2 p.m., 10th,	
...	...		...	24	Yes,	9 a.m., 9th,	
25	5 0 0	Buckets of water,	...	...	...	1.20 a.m.	
300	24 13 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	Five,	Yes,	11.15 a.m.	
2	2 0 0	Turning gas off,	...	...	...	2.40 a.m.	
6,000	3,430 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	Six	Yes,	1.25 p.m.	
1,000	200 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	Two	Yes,	6.40 p.m.	
2,000	400 0 0	Burned out,	..	...	...	5.15 p.m.	The roofs were cut, and fire confined to seat of fire. Main buildings saved.
200	1 10 0	Chemical extinguisher,	...	...	...	12.27 a.m.	
220	32 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	Four.	Yes,	4.20 p.m.	
500	10 10 0	Pails of water,	...	...	...	4.12 p.m.	
1,000	150 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	...	...	7.40 p.m.	Extinguished by works hose before the arrival of brigade.
500	0 10 0	Pails of water,	..	...	...	1.40 p.m.	
500	20 0 0	Water from hydrant,	One,	One,	Yes,	4.50 p.m.	
700	400 0 0	First aid pump,	...	...	...	9.50 p.m.	Only domestic supply of water available; roofs cut and confined fire.

H. J. DESPARD, *Captain*,
Firemaster.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 14th January, 1914, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 14th January, 1914.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Colonel Buchanan.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
John Hurll.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie was unanimously reappointed chairman of the committee, and the quorum was fixed at 5. *Appointment of chairman.—Quorum fixed.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of meetings of the committee, of dates 24th September and 1st October, 1913, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of meetings.*

There were laid before the meeting reports by the County Medical Officer, under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, for the months of September, October, and November, 1913 (Appendices I., II., and III.), prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Reports by County Medical Officer for months of September, October, and November.*

With reference to the action raised against the Town Council of the Burgh of Airdrie, the Clerk reported that, after further procedure in Court, Sheriff Lee, on 19th December last, pronounced an Interlocutor repelling all the objections made on behalf of the defenders except on two points, viz., (1) the choice of a site for the proposed sewage works, and (2) a request that they should have an opportunity of submitting a scheme to the Court in preference to any recommended by Mr. Carter; and that, after a further hearing on 9th January, the case was continued until 30th current, to permit of the Town Council being allowed to consult Mr. Watson, of Manchester, in regard to the particular scheme which should be adopted by them. *Rivers Pollution.—Burgh of Airdrie.*

Rivers Pollution.—Burgh of Coatbridge.

With reference to the Burgh of Coatbridge, the Clerk reported that Sheriff Lee had indicated his intention of pronouncing an Interlocutor ordaining that the Town Council of Coatbridge shall proceed at once to carry out the construction of purification works in accordance with plan approved by Mr. Carter. The Town Council are in negotiation for a purchase of land, and also propose to seek authority by Provisional Order for certain financial arrangements in connection with the whole scheme, but it is believed that the promotion of this Order will not cause any delay in the carrying out of the works.

Rivers Pollution.—Burgh of Motherwell.

With reference to the action against the Town Council of the Burgh of Motherwell, the Clerk reported that this case was again before Sheriff Shennan on 16th December last, when, on hearing parties further in the matter, he pronounced an Interlocutor ordaining the Town Council within four months to proceed with the construction of purification works, and to complete the same with all speed, reserving the right to the County Council to apply to the Court in the event of any delay taking place.

The Clerk further stated that since the original proposals had been framed certain modifications had been made on the scheme, including the alteration of the site of purification works for the treatment of sewage from one section of the burgh. With regard to the site for the purification works dealing with the remaining part of the burgh, the Town Council had included in the Bill which they are at present promoting power to acquire the site, and in respect of this the Sheriff's Interlocutor above referred to delays this part of the scheme for further consideration until the Bill shall have been disposed of by Parliament, at the same time reserving to the County Council the right to apply to the Court should the Order not be timeously prosecuted.

Rivers Pollution.—Burgh of Hamilton.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee of 24th September last regarding the Burgh of Hamilton, the Clerk stated that he had again communicated with the Town-Clerk of Hamilton, impressing upon the Town Council the necessity for providing purification works for preventing pollution of the Cadzow Burn by sewage from the burgh, and he submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk stating that his committee had had a recent meeting with the Commissioners for the Duke of Hamilton's Trustees as to the terms upon which ground could be acquired for the construction of the works, and that there was every hope of an early arrangement being arrived at.

Rivers Pollution.—Kepplehill Coal Company, Ltd.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed by the committee, he had on 22nd October served a notice in terms of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts upon the Kepplehill Coal Company, Limited, intimating the intention of the County Council to take proceedings against them in respect of the pollution of the Blind Burn by coal-dross washing operations conducted at Stane and Kepplehill Collieries, and that the two months' statutory period had now elapsed The meeting instructed the Clerk to proceed with the case in the usual way.

Rivers Pollution.—Collieries, &c.

The Clerk reported that since the last meeting of the committee he had been in communication with the following:—

(1) Furnace Gases Company, regarding pollution of the South Calder by spent ammoniacal liquor from their ammonia works at Shotts;

(2) Darngavil Coal Company, regarding pollution of the Mill Burn by the system of coal-dross washing in operation at their Swinhill Colliery,

and that in both cases a satisfactory reply had been received.

Food and Drugs.—Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a statement showing the results of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts since the date of last meeting, as follows:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
William Fleming, dairyman, Auldton Farm, Dalserf,	Sweet milk, deficient in milk fat 9 per cent.,	Sheriff found that charge as made was not proven. An appeal by way of a stated case was intimated to the High Court of Justiciary. The Court answered the question in the case in the negative, and granted respondent £12 12s. expenses.
William B. Gray, farmer, Easter Queenslie Farm, Shettleston,	Sweet milk, deficient in milk fat 5 per cent. and in milk solids 12 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined £2 2s.
George Hamilton, dairyman, 240 Main Street, Rutherglen,	Skimmed milk, deficient in milk solids 6 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined £3.
James Stobo, South Garngour Farm, Lesmahagow,	Sweet milk, deficient in milk fat 8 per cent. and in milk solids 11 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £3.
Alexander Forrest, purveyor of milk, Chryston Mains, Chryston,	Sweet milk, deficient in milk fat 6 per cent. and in milk solids 9 per cent.,	Pled guilty and fined £3 3s., or 10 days.
Do. do.,	Skimmed milk, deficient in milk solids 20 per cent. by addition of 26 per cent. of water,	Pled guilty and fined £3 3s., or 10 days.

Stated Case.—William Fleming.

With reference to the stated case of William Fleming, the Clerk reported that Sheriff Shennan had sustained the defence put forward by the defender's agent, in respect that it was not proved that the respondent personally supplied the milk certified to be deficient; that, as a matter of fact, the demand had been made to, and the milk supplied by, the son of the respondent; and that, in accordance with the instructions of the committee, the opinion of counsel had subsequently been taken as to the expediency of appealing against this decision. The opinion obtained being in favour of such an appeal, this course was followed.

The case was heard by the Justiciary Appeal Court in the beginning of November last, when, after discussion, the majority of the Court, consisting of the Lord Justice-General and Lords Mackenzie and Skerrington, expressed the opinion that it was necessary in the case of a sale by the hands of a servant to an Inspector under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts that the fact of the servant having intervened should be libelled. Lord Johnston dissented, holding that to decide as the Sheriff had done was "to strain at a gnat and to run technicality to the death." A copy of the Opinions of the Judges forms Appendix IV.

Allowance to Assistant Medical Officers in respect of use of motor cars or motor cycles.

The meeting having proceeded to consider the question of the allowance to the County Medical Officer and Assistant Medical Officers, in respect of the use by them of motor cars or motor cycles, agreed, after discussion and on a vote, to appoint the following sub-committee to consider the whole question, and to report, viz.:—

J. Raeside Auld. Robert Lambie.
James H. Fenton. Gavin A. Shanks.
Joseph Sullivan.
Convener.
Sub-Convener.

Mr. Lambie to be chairman of the sub-committee, and three a quorum.

Public Health Department.—Position of Medical Officers recently appointed.—Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk, with a view to avoiding any misunderstanding as to the existing arrangements with regard to the appointment of Medical Officers, submitted to the committee the following statement:—

The members of the existing staff of the Public Health Department whose appointments as County and District Medical Officers of Health have been approved by the Local Government Board are:—

Dr. John T. Wilson, County Medical Officer and Medical Officer of Health in each of the three Districts in the County. Dr. Wilson will continue as head of the County and District Public Health Departments, and will supervise the whole work falling to these departments; his salary is £1,000 per annum;

Dr. Frank H. Scroggie, Senior Assistant County and District Medical Officer of Health, whose services will be chiefly devoted to tuberculosis work throughout the County, and who will act as Senior Assistant to Dr. Wilson, and who will supervise the staff in his absence; his salary is £400 per annum; and

Dr. J. Hume Patterson, whose chief duty is as Bacteriologist, but whose services as County and District Medical Officer will, as before, be available throughout the whole County; his salary is £400 per annum.

In addition to the above staff, the following new appointments of District Medical Officers of Health and Tuberculosis Officers have been made with the approval of the County Council, viz.:—

(1) James R. Adams, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., formerly Assistant Tuberculosis Officer, Leith;
(2) John W. Miller, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Hamilton;
(3) Miss Christina Barrowman, M.B., Ch.B., B.Sc. (P.H.), Hamilton;
(4) J. Thomson Dick, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Glasgow; and
(5) Robert Richards, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Aberdeen.

The commencing salary in the case of each of the last-named five officers is £300 per annum.

At the present time the District Committee of the Upper Ward have appointed only Dr. Adams; the Middle Ward District Committee have appointed Dr. Miller, Dr. Barrowman, and Dr. Dick; and the Lower Ward District Committee have appointed Dr. Richards, as District Medical Officers each within their respective Districts. Accordingly, the services of these officers as District Medical Officers would be available only in the Districts for which they have been appointed, though they have the status of County Medical Officers in any part of the County. It is, however, proposed—and this is in accordance with the arrangement entered into between the three District Committees as embodied in the Heads of Agreement which have been submitted to the Local Government Board—that each of the District Committees should appoint the whole of the five Medical Officers named, so that their services might, should occasion require, be available within any of the three Districts.

The Clerk stated that, if it is intended that these additional officers should be placed on the same footing as Dr. Scroggie and Dr. Patterson in so far that their services as District Medical Officers might be available throughout the several Districts, each of the District Committees would require to approve of their appointment as District Medical Officers of Health in so far as this has not already been done.

Clerk instructed to communicate with District Committees.

The committee expressed the opinion that it would be desirable that the services of these several Medical Officers should not be restricted to any particular district, and that they should all be placed on the same footing, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Clerks to the several District Committees, with a view to the necessary appointments being made by them.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

SEPTEMBER, 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

135 inspections were made, 20 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
Mossend Steel Works, -	September. 30th	*Accidental spent liquor pollution.
Shotts Iron Works, - -	20th, 21st, & 22nd	Intermittent spent liquor pollution.
Baton Colliery, - - -	20th, 23rd, & 24th	*Defective settling area and silted-up pond.
Kepplehill Colliery, - -	20th and 24th	Silted-up settling pond.
Knowton ,, - -	24th	*Direct discharge from silt-recovery tank.
Stane ,, - -	24th	Silted-up pond and defective bing pond.
Glengowan Print Works, -	16th	Coloured pollution.
Caldercruix Paper Mill, -	16th	Coloured and turbid discharge.

* Reported at Company's office.

Trade Pollutions.

Mossend Steel Works.—Following upon resumption of trade operations at these works, which had been closed down for a period of fourteen weeks, pollution occurred on account of chokage of pipes connected with the ammonia plant. Remedial measures were in course of being carried out at time of inspection.

Shotts Iron Works.—Further intermittent pollution has again been detected as follows:—

Saturday, 20th—Stream slightly discoloured a short distance below works at 3.30 p.m.

Sunday, 21st—Stream slightly discoloured by spent liquor near Wishaw Estate at 9.30 a.m.; while at Bonkle, above the Auchter Water, the stream had distinct odour of spent liquor pollution at 7 p.m. A sample taken at this point shows, on analysis, phenols to the extent of 11·2 parts per 100,000.

Monday, 22nd—At Bonkle, at 9 a.m., and at Newmills, Hartwood, 10.30 a.m., slight pollution by spent liquor.

Baton Colliery.—The pollutions detected were due to discharges from a defective settling area (one of the embankments having broken down), and to a silted-up settling pond, to which the Colliery Company's attention has been called. In connection with the coal-dross washing plant, arrangement has been made by the Company for the erection of additional apparatus for the recovery of the very fine silt not taken up by the silt recovery. This new plant is expected to be erected and brought into operation within a few weeks.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—Inspection shows that pollution is still occurring at these Collieries. At Kepplehill Colliery the settling pond in use is silted-up, while the alternative pond is incomplete in respect of the want of a proper outfall. At Stane Colliery, the large pond brought into use on 21st June, is silted-up, and as yet, no further attempt has been made to have the alternative pond cleaned out. Instead, the coal-dross washings are now being pumped from the silt recovery tank to a small bing settling area, which is quite unsatisfactory. Samples taken on 24th September show serious pollution.

Knowton Colliery.—The discharge from the settling area was found, on analysis, to contain 1,532 parts per 100,000 suspended solids. This pollution was due to the defective structure of the area, which is situated on the Lingore Burn, a tributary of Breich Water. In June last, the Colliery Company promised to provide satisfactory measures to prevent pollution. Since inspection, on 24th September, an attempt has been made to form an embankment enclosing the settling area along the lower side next the stream.

Caldercruix Paper Mill.—Owing to the settling ponds being silted-up, the discharge at present is of a polluting nature, affecting the North Calder.

Moffat Paper Mill.—Following upon the completion of the new settling tanks for the interception of suspended matter in the trade effluents, a six hours average sampling of the treated and untreated effluents was carried out on 11th September. The results of analysis show 96 per cent. reduction in the suspended solids, which, in the discharge to the North Calder, only amounted to 3·6 parts per 100,000.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Burghs of Airdrie and Coatbridge.—In connection with the reports by Mr. Carter, C.E., dealing with the best practicable and available means for th

prevention of pollution by sewage from these two burghs, a report was prepared, with special reference to the interests of the Middle Ward District Committee, along with the following *notanda*:—

INFORMATION RELATIVE TO REPORTS BY MR. CARTER, C.E., ON PROPOSED SEWAGE PURIFICATION SCHEMES.

Airdrie.

			Houses.	Population.
Brown Burn, ...	County Area,	South Biggar Road, ...	42	210
		Carlisle Road.	34	170
North, and Gartsherrie Burn,		Whiterigg, &c., ...	122	600
		Glenmavis, ...	117	585

Coatbridge.

North Calder, ...	County Area,	Carnbroe or Brewsterford.	168	say 1,000
North, and Gartsherrie Burn,		Gartgill and Gartsherrie,	101	505
		Old Townhead and Hollandhurst,	40	200
		Kipps, ...	20	100
Luggie Burn, ...		Kirkwood, ...	102	513
		Old Monkland, Kirkstyle, and Douglas Support,	27	135

Discussion of pollution from the county areas is outwith the scope of the remit by the Sheriff of Airdrie to Mr. Carter which has to do with the streams within the burghs and not with the whole drainage area of the streams.

So far as the County areas are concerned, the estimated costs for the schemes (£2,000) is so small as to be of little importance to the financial side of the question.

Reference to County schemes is extremely general and indefinite in Mr. Carter's Reports. The two portions alluded to may probably be Brewsterford, Coatbridge, and Carlisle and Motherwell Roads, Airdrie, as the other areas in the watershed of the streams are entirely outwith possible inclusion.

County areas could not be held liable for the culverting of the burns as they pass through the burghs.

Costs of Schemes.

	Sewers and Works. Separately.	Jointly.
Airdrie, ...	£35,000	£27,000
Coatbridge,	53,000	53,000
	£88,000	£80,000
County, ...	2,000	2,000
	£90,000	£82,000

Joint Schemes.

	Works.	Sewers.	Total.
Airdrie, ...	£12,000	£15,000	£27,000
Coatbridge, ...	33,000	20,000	53,000
	£45,000	£35,000	£80,000

Separate Schemes.

	Works.	Sewers.	Total.
Airdrie, ...	£23,000	£12,000	£35,000
Coatbridge, ...	33,000	20,000	53,000
	£56,000	£32,000	£88,000
County, ...	—	—	2,000
			£90,000
Culverting Scheme, ...			£70,000

Population and Valuation of the Burghs.

1911-12 (according to Census Returns.)

	Population.	Valuation.
Airdrie, ...	24,388	£91,217
Coatbridge, ...	43,287	209,691
	67,675	£300,908

Cost of Scheme per head of Population.

	Separately.	Jointly.
Airdrie, ...	£1 8 6	£1 3 7
Coatbridge, ...	1 4 5	

Probable Rate required to meet Cost of Schemes, including Maintenance.

	Separately.	Jointly.
Airdrie, ...	6¾d.	4¾d.
Coatbridge, ...	4½d.	

Burgh of Hamilton.—The serious sewage pollution of the Cadzow Burn and River Clyde were reported to the County Clerk.

Stepps Sewage Works.—The septic tanks were cleaned out during the month resulting in an improved tank effluent. At these works there is need for additional and improved sludge pits or areas.

Over Possil.—Inquiry and inspection were made regarding the pollution of a small water course which receives drainage from several houses on the Auchinairn Road, High Possil. This matter is at present before the Lower Ward Local Authority with a view to a connection being obtained with a private sewer on an adjoining estate. Owing, however, to difficulties in securing this connection consideration is being given as to the best practicable way of dealing with this complaint.

Bellshill Sewage Works.—Inspection was made of these works on 25th September, when the septic tanks were found in course of being cleaned out. They were last cleaned out six months ago.

Braidwood.—The inquiries and inspections commenced in August in connection with the requisition to form a special drainage district, were continued in the early part of September, and the results reported.

Larkhall.—The outfalls to the River Avon from this district were complained of and specially inspected

Stonehouse.—An inspection was made of the Watstone Burn sewage outfall.

Thankerton.—Further inspections were made in connection with the disposal of the sewage from this special district.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions 36 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to :—

North Calder.—On 11th September samples of this stream were taken during a six hours' average sampling of the trade effluents produced at Moffat Paper Mills. The results of analysis show the stream below the Paper Mills to contain only 3·0 parts per 100,000 suspended matter.

South Calder.—The upper reach of this stream has been the subject of sampling and inspection during the month. Serious pollution is again occurring regularly at Stane and Kepplehill Collieries (see Trade Pollutions), while intermittent discharges of spent liquor are still taking place at Shotts Iron Works.

Shirrel Burn.—This stream receives the sewage of Holytown and New Stevenston, and was the subject of complaint as regards its condition opposite Thankerton House. The provision of sewage purification works has, however, been reported on by the District Engineer, but consideration is delayed pending a report as to the mineral workings along the line of the proposed sewers and the site for the works.

Carfin Sewage Works.—The sewage from the irrigation plots passes into a small water-course which joins the Shirrel Burn at Holytown Colliery. At present the water-course above the Colliery is most objectionable and is complained of.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 85, and 69 samples, including 25 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these, 62 were analysed by the Public Analyst, 5 in the chemical laboratory, and 2—1 butter and 1 condensed milk—were not analysed, as it was thought not to be necessary.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz. :—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date purchased.	Locality where purchased.	Certified.
323	Sweet milk, -	11th Sept.	Shettleston.	5 per cent. deficient in milk fat; 12 per cent. deficient in milk solids other than fat.
367	Separated milk, -	26th ,,	Cleland.	5 per cent deficient in milk solids.

Sample No. 323 was procured in course of delivery from a farmer to the contractor for the supply of milk to Lightburn Hospital. Samples of the skimmed milk and cream being delivered at the same time were also taken, and on analysis the sample of cream was certified to be genuine, containing 8·25 per cent. of milk fat, while the skimmed milk sample was certified to contain 4 per cent. of added

water, but as the total milk solids are over 9 per cent., it will pass as genuine skimmed milk.

The figures of analysis are as follows, viz.:—

Milk fat, ...	1·14 per cent.
Milk solids other than fat, ...	8·10 „
Total milk solids, ...	9·24 „

The standard for skimmed or separated milk as laid down in the Sale of Milk Regulations, 1901, issued by the Board of Agriculture, is 9 per cent. of milk solids. This standard has been amended by the Sale of Milk Regulations, 1912, which fixes 8·7 per cent. of milk solids other than fat as the new standard for skimmed or separated milk. Under the old Regulations, water could with impunity be added to hand-skimmed milk, so long as the total milk solids were not reduced below 9 per cent., but under the new Regulations any such tampering with the milk would be almost impossible without risk of prosecution. These new Regulations, however, only apply to England and Wales, and, as this restriction of their application seems to be an anomaly, the Board of Agriculture for Scotland was communicated with on the matter, and the reply is as follows, viz.:—

"Adverting to your letter of the 25th September, transmitting a certificate of analysis of a sample of skimmed milk, I am directed by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland to state that the analysis shows that the milk contained not less than 9 per cent. of milk solids, and under the Sale of Milk Regulations, 1901, it cannot therefore be certified as not genuine. The Sale of Milk Regulations, 1912, as you observe, apply only to England and Wales.

"I am to add that the question of amending the Sale of Milk Regulations, 1901, in respect of their application to Scotland has been deferred, pending the introduction in Parliament of the Milk and Dairies Bill or other similar Bill affecting Scotland."

Four informal samples were certified to be non-genuine—3 of butter procured by agent and certified to be margarine, and 1 of sweet milk certified to be 7 per cent. deficient in milk fat. Arrangements will be made to have formal samples procured by means of agent.

Three of the sweet milk samples were certified to be coloured with annatto.

The sample of preserved cream was certified to contain 57·50 per cent. of milk fat. It also contained ·24 per cent. of boric acid as a preservative. The presence of boric acid was not declared on the jar.

Flour.—Of the samples of flour analysed by the Public Analyst two were purchased as unbleached, and from the nitrates per million of flour which they were found on analysis to contain—·37 and ·072 respectively—the Public Analyst certifies that they may be regarded as unbleached flour. Another sample purchased as flour contained 3·2 parts of nitrites per million of flour, and the Analyst states "may therefore be regarded as bleached flour." Four informal samples, procured at a baker's premises in the Burgh of Biggar, were analysed for bleaching and "improvers." The Public Analyst could not detect the presence of added phosphates or other improver in any of the samples. The nitrates were stated to amount to, respectively, ·30. 1·00, 2·40, and 2·60 parts per million of flour. Three informal samples of flour were analysed in the chemical laboratory, and were found to contain ·9, 1·3, and 2·5 parts of nitrogen, as sodium nitrite per million of flour respectively. The last sample was said to be milled where the bleaching process is known to be carried on.

Two samples of self-raising flour were found on analysis to be within the limit for calcium sulphate laid down by Dr. Hamill in his report to the Local Government Board.

Whisky.—A test sample of whisky procured at Lanark Races, was found to be 24·3 degrees under proof, and a formal sample analysed by the Public Analyst to be genuine whisky, within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act. It was 22·0 degrees under proof.

Margarine Contraventions.—Three offences were detected, viz., the sale of the above-mentioned samples of margarine as butter, in plain wrappers.

Milk Standard.—In connection with this inquiry, 68 samples were taken and analysed in the chemical laboratory.

Shieldhill Creamery, Thankerton.—The warm and cold milk as delivered by the farmers to this creamery was sampled on the 9th September. A total of 82 samples were taken and analysed in the chemical laboratory.

Stonehouse Hospital Milk Supply.—Inspection and inquiry were made at the hospital and the farm which supplies the milk, with a view to ascertaining the methods of handling and keeping the milk.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 258 samples were completed during the month—18 being under Rivers Pollution: 14 under Public Health; and 151 under Food and Drugs Acts. The number of special samples was 75.

Rivers Pollution.

Coal-dross washers.—Stane Colliery, 1 sample; Kepplehill Colliery, 1 sample; and Knowton Colliery, 1 sample.

Pit Waters.—Stane Colliery, 1 sample; Knowton Colliery, 1 sample; and Broomfield Colliery, 1 sample.

Paper Mills.—Moffat Paper Mills, 2 samples; 1 of crude liquor as entering precipitation tanks, and 1 of effluent from tanks as entering North Calder. These samples represent the the flow of trade waste liquor during 6 hours.

Streams.—North Calder, 2 samples, taken above and below the outfall from Moffat Paper Mills; South Calder, 2 samples, 1 taken near Bonkle and the other at a point above entrance of Blind Burn; Blind Burn, 2 samples, taken above and below the outfall from Stane Colliery; Currie Burn, 2 samples, taken immediately before joining South Calder; River Irvine at Drumclog, 2 samples taken, in connection with complaint of pollution from Stobieside House,

Public Health.

The following samples of water from private supplies:—Spring water, Blair Farm, Crossford; water, Fence Farm, Tillietudlem. Proposed supply for Pool and Hardgatehead Farms.

The following samples from public water supplies:—Clean water tank, Glasford filters, 11 samples. These samples were average weekly samples.

Food and Drugs.

Butter, 1 sample, found to be non-genuine; milk, 82 samples. In connection with milk standard investigation, 68 samples of milk were analysed.

Special.

Clean water tank, Glasford filters, 75 daily samples examined for colour and alkalinity only.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 573, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens,* as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	... 265	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 17
Hospital Physicians,	... 218	Slaughter-house Staff,	... 1
Public Health Staff,	... 72		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—226.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	7	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	8	43*	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	1*	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 80—	16	63	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	5	29	—	2	30	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	13	52	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 135—	18	81	2	2	30	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 11—	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.

TYPHOID FEVER—109.

	Blood. Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
Medical Practitioners—	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Upper Ward,	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	19	16	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 43—	22	21	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 7—	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	6	41	—	—	1	3	2	4
Lower ,,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 59—	6	43	—	—	1	3	2	4

Several tests were also applied to a number of the foregoing negative specimens in order to detect cases of Paratyphoid Fever.

TUBERCLE—122.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	0	+	0
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	9	—	—
Middle ,, ...	10	22*	—	1*
Lower ,, ...	1	3*	—	—
Total, 46—	12	34	—	—
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	5	—	—
Middle ,, ...	43	17	1‡	1†
Lower ,, ...	1	8	—	—
Total, 76—	44	30	1	1
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total,—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff. † Urine. ‡ Spinal Fluid.

A large amount of work has been done, both by animal inoculation and cultural tests, with a view to detecting the Bovine Tubercle Bacillus in specimens derived from the human subject.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—5.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—2 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave negative results.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave positive result.

Hairs for Ringworm.—2 specimens received from School Medical Staff in Lower Ward gave positive results.

Much work has also been carried out in connection with the serum diagnosis of venereal disease, viz., gonorrhœa and syphilis.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—18.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—1 specimen of spleen of cow received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave negative result.

The following specimens under the Tuberculosis Order were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Middle Ward, 3 specimens of mucus from cows gave positive results. 1 specimen of saliva from cow gave negative result.

Lower Ward, 2 specimens of mucus from cows, one of which gave positive result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+			+	0
Upper Ward,	—	1	1	—	3
Middle ,,	4	4	4	1	3
Lower ,,	1	1	1	—	—
Total, 11—	5	6	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—93.

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle, other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle, other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens.
Hamilton,...	1	1	1	5	1	13	—	—	—	—	—	1†
Airdrie, ...	—	3	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	4	—
Coatbridge,	—	2	8	10	1	8	—	—	—	—	—	1
Rutherglen,	—	1	1	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2*	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	1	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	7*	1*
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 93	1	8	11	22	7	32	—	—	—	—	9	3

* Hairs from Ringworm from School Medical Staff. † Water.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	2	2	...	4
Chemical ,, -	1	1	...	...
Coal-dross Washers, - -	19	31	5	7
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	2	2	1	1
Paper Mills, - - -	2	3	3	1
Distillery, - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	17	30	2	...
Streams, - -	36	66	9	...
Total, - -	79	135	20	13

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.																			Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Baillieston.	Busby.	Caldercruix and Plains.	Cambuslang.	Carnbroe.	Carnwath.	Chapelhall.	Cleland.	Dalserf.	East Kilbride.	Greengairs.	Lanark Racecourse.	Larkhall.	Law.	Longriggend.	Shettleston.	Tollcross.	Burgh of Biggar.	Burgh of Wishaw.			
Sweet Milk,	...	2	5	6	...	2	1	5	...	2	1	...	...	4	3	2	6	...	...	39	39	3
Skimmed and Separated Milk,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	1
Condensed Milk (Machine Skimmed),	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
Cream,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...
Preserved Cream,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Butter,	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5	4	3
Margarine,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Flour,	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	3	10	10	...
Self-raising Flour,	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...
Dripping,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Black Currant Jam,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...
Cod Liver Oil,	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Camphorated Oil,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Whisky,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	...	2	5	9	1	5	1	8	1	2	1	2	...	4	3	4	6	4	11	69	67	7
Number of Shops, &c., Visited,	2	2	5	11	4	6	2	11	...	2	1	1	4	5	2	1	9	...	17	85	...	...

Informal samples—sweet milk, 8; condensed milk, 1; cream, 1; butter, 5; margarine, 1; flour, 8; and whisky, 1.

Informal samples procured by means of agents—Butter, 2; sweet milk, 7.

Samples taken in course of delivery—Sweet milk, 2; skimmed milk, 1; cream, 1.

Received privately—Butter, 1.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 14th October, 1913.

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APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

OCTOBER, 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

134 inspections and visits of inquiry were made, 31 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
	October	
Shotts Iron Works, - -	31st	† Evidence of pollution in lower reach of South Calder.
Allanton Colliery, - -	14th	* Slight wagon drip pollution.
Baton ,, - -	31st	* Embankment of settling-pond defective.
Bellfield ,, - -	6th and 10th	* Bing effluent unsatisfactory.
Kepplehill ,, - -	2nd and 21st	† Discharges black and turbid.
Meadowhead ,, - -	9th	* Overflow from silt recovery, &c., to stream.
Stane ,, - -	2nd and 29th	† Discharges black and turbid.

* Reported at Company's office. † Reported to County Clerk.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Shotts Iron Works.—Evidence of intermittent discharges of spent liquor from these Works has again been noted as affecting the South Calder—see Reports for July and September. The matter has therefore been reported to the County Clerk.

Baton Colliery.—The defects on the embankment of the settling area still exist as reported last month, but the Colliery General Manager has now undertaken to remedy the defect without delay, pending the erection of a special plant which will largely obviate the discharging of the silt-recovery tank to the existing settling areas.

Darngavil Collieries.—Although no pollution was occurring at the time of an inspection of the washer for these collieries, the settling areas were found to be in a very unsatisfactory condition, and evidence was also obtained that pollution of the Cameron Burn had been occurring for some time. The question of improving the preventive measures has been taken up with the Company's manager.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—Further special inspections have been made at these collieries, and samples obtained for analysis in view of legal proceedings. The discharges at each colliery still show evidence of pollution.

Meadowhead Colliery —Here the pollution was due to an overflow from the stilt-recovery tank, and to drainage from the storage hopper from which the washed dross is discharged into railway wagons. The owner of the colliery has undertaken to erect a tank in order to intercept these discharges.

Knowton Colliery.—Further progress has been made with the enclosing of the settling area into which the silt-recovery tank is discharged. A meeting was held on the ground with the colliery owner, with a view to secure more permanent structural remedial measures, but he considered that the present area would be found satisfactory for a number of years.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Stepps Sewage Works.—Inspection was made of these works, the discharge from which was found to be affecting the Garnkirk Burn. This is largely due to the distribution, which, though somewhat recently improved, requires to be replaced by some means of mechanical distribution.

Bonkle Sewage Works.—These works are now almost complete, and are expected to be in working operation shortly.

Burnside New Police Station.—Inspection and inquiry were made as to the disposal of the sewage from the proposed buildings which are within the Middle Ward District. These show that the natural fall for the drainage would be either towards the Lower Ward Outfall Sewer of Eastfield Drainage District or to the Scion Burn which passes through the Burgh of Ruthergien. The results of the inquiries have been reported to the Middle Ward District Clerk.

Over-Possil Drainage.—Further inquiries and inspection have been made as to the disposal of sewage from these lands at Lambhill. Having regard to the small flow of sewage it was considered desirable to advise the Lower Ward Staff that the outfall drain should be extended down the private road, alongside the ditch complained of, to a point where the discharge would become dissipated in the water-course, where there is a fair flow of spring and surface water.

Cumbernauld Road Sewer.—The manholes in the line of this sewer in the Lower Ward, into which the trade refuse liquor from Gartloch Distillery is discharged, were inspected. No objectionable odours were detected.

STREAMS.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions, 36 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

Luggie Water.—Inspections were made of the sources of pollution which are liable to affect this stream at Bedlay Collieries and Tannoch Chemical Works. At Tannoch the stream was found affected by coal-dross washings from the upper reach of the Cameron Burn, while the Mollin Burn, a smaller tributary of the Luggie, which receives drainage from the Bedlay Collieries, was in course of being cleaned out. The measures for the prevention of pollution both at the coal-dross washing plant and the sulphate ammonia works were found in satisfactory working order.

North Burn.—In connection with a complaint by the Town-Clerk of Airdrie that this stream was seriously polluted by sewage in its upper reach above the Burgh of Airdrie, special inspection and sampling was made on 9th October. At this date the stream was found dry for fully half-a-mile above Airdrie Burgh boundary, and at the first point where it was flowing the water was clear and sparkling.

South Calder.—On 2nd October a special series of samples was taken on this stream between Motherwell and Shotts, including samples of three of its tributaries, namely—Todhole Burn, Auchter Water, and Blind Burn.

Tollcross Burn.—Inspection and inquiries were made as to a proposed outfall drain to be laid from the New North Mount Vernon Pits to this stream. The drain is intended to carry pit-water, of which there will be a discharge amounting to about 65 gallons per minute. This discharge is likely to be somewhat turbid and discoloured for some time, probably about a year, on account of sinking operations. One of the terms of consent by the Superior of the Lands to the Company's proposal is however to the effect that "the water must be clarified as far as possible, and that the Company accept liability for any claims arising from the pollution of the burn by water from the pits." This clause in the agreement between the Superior and the Colliery Company should safeguard the condition of the stream.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 82, and 70 samples, including 11 informal samples, were procured (see Table III). Of these, 61 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 9 in the Chemical Laboratory.

Information was lodged by the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date Purchased.	Locality where Purchased.	Certified.
390	Skimmed Milk. -	7th Oct.,	Eastfield, -	6 per cent. deficient in milk solids, by reason of addition of about 21 per cent. of water.
412	Sweet Milk, -	17th Oct.,	Cleland, -	3 per cent. deficient in milk fat.
415	Do., -	21st Oct.,	Stonehouse, -	6 per cent. deficient in milk solids other than fat.
441	Do., -	31st Oct.,	Lesmahagow,	8 per cent. deficient in milk fat, and 11 per cent. deficient in milk solids other than fat.

In view of the small deficiencies in samples Nos. 412 and 415, it has not been thought advisable to take legal proceedings. Sample No. 412 was procured by means of an agent from the same vendor as sample No. 367 (separated milk) reported last month as 5 per cent. deficient in milk solids, regarding which it was not deemed desirable to take proceedings either, as the milk-fat figure was very high, viz., 1·4 per cent. A sample of the skimmed milk was also procured at the same time as sample No. 412, and was certified by the Public Analyst to contain 11 per cent. or thereby of added water, but as the total milk solids are 9 per cent. it will pass as genuine skimmed milk. Consideration of the results of analysis of these samples and of samples previously taken shows that this vendor is undoubtedly tampering with his milk supply. Further samples will be procured.

Three informal samples of sweet milk were certified to be not genuine. Two of these samples were procured at milk carts after formal samples had been purchased, but from different receptacles. The formal samples contained 3·48 and 4·44, and the informal samples 2·8 and 2·7 per cent. of fat, and the circumstances suggest that different qualities of milk are carried so as to be prepared for a visit from the inspector. Further samples will be procured from the offending vendors

One of the samples of butter was procured from a van retailing provisions late in the evening. On analysis the sample was certified to be genuine butter.

The samples of lime juice cordial, lemon squash, and raspberry wine were certified to be genuine. They all, however, contained 1, ·52, ·28, and ·17 grains of salicylic acid per pint respectively. These amounts are so small as to be almost negligible, although certain brands are known to be free from preservatives, and some authorities hold that their use is unnecessary in the manufacture of cordials.

The sample of essence of coffee with chicory was certified to consist of sugar and the extract of coffee and chicory in the proportion of 3·5 parts of chicory to one part of coffee. The question here is whether the designation "Essence of Coffee with Chicory" is a correct one? The analysis shows that the chicory present is two and a-half times in excess of the coffee, so that the designation should more properly be "Essence of Chicory with Coffee." It is a matter for consideration by the law-agents whether there is not a case here for legal proceedings and an information is being lodged with the County Clerk.

Margarine Contraventions.—Three offences were detected, viz., two of want of margarine wrappers and one of improper labelling. It was deemed sufficient, however, to verbally caution the offenders.

Milk Standard.—In connection with this inquiry, 65 samples were taken and analysed in the Chemical Laboratory.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration:—

Case No. 302.—It was considered unadvisable to take legal proceedings.

Case No. 323.—A sample of sweet milk certified to be deficient in milk fat 5 per cent, and in solids other than fat 12 per cent. On 20th October this case was heard before Sheriff Craigie in Glasgow, when an agent appeared for the respondent and tendered a plea of guilty subject to an explanation. The explanation was to the effect that the dairymaid in respondent's employment had admitted that she had on several occasions added water to the milk. She refused to state her motive for doing so, and declined to appear before the Sheriff. In reply the Council's agents pointed out to the Sheriff that the analysis of the different samples, formal

and informal, which had been taken, scarcely corroborated the explanation given. It was inconceivable that the dairymaid would have abstracted cream as well as adding water, as the analysis showed, without some advantage to herself. The only possible advantage was an apparent increase of the milk and cream of the respondent's herd under her charge, but this could not account for her conduct. The Sheriff said that he had difficulty in understanding the explanation, but in the circumstances, as this was a first offence, he would make the penalty £2 2s.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 152 samples were completed during the month, 27 being under Rivers Pollution, 9 under Public Health, and 79 under Food and Drugs Acts. The number of special samples amounted to 37.

Rivers Pollution.

Sewage Works.—Shotts Kirk Public School Sewage Purification Works, 1 sample of effluent. Airdriehill Square, 1 sample of crude sewage as entering North Burn.

Trade Effluents.—Pit waters. Samples of pit water from the following collieries were analysed:—Carfin Colliery, Kepplehill Colliery (2 samples). Coal-Washing Effluents—Kepplehill Colliery (2 samples), Stane Colliery (4 samples).

Streams.—The following samples from streams were fully analysed, viz.:—Todhole Burn, before entering South Calder; South Calder near Carfin House, near Swinstye, and near Bonkle. Watercourse after receiving effluent from Shotts Kirk School Sewage Purification Works. North Burn above Whiterigg: below sewer outfall from Airdriehill Square; opposite Airdriehill House; and below Airdrie Burgh Boundary. These samples from the North Burn were analysed in connection with a statement that this burn was polluted with sewage as entering the Burgh of Airdrie. The analyses showed this statement to be without foundation. The following samples were partially analysed:—Blind Burn, 5 samples for total and volatile suspended solids; Auchter Water at Bonkle for phenols; and South Calder, Allanton, for phenols and suspended solids.

Public Health.

The following samples of water from private supplies:—Castlehill Farm, Lanark; Newmains Farm, Cleghorn; and Climpy Colliery (2 samples).

The following from public water supplies:—Glasford filters, clean water tank (5 samples).

Food and Drugs.

Milk, 7 samples, of which 2 were found deficient in fat to the extent of 7 and 10 per cent. respectively. Cream, 1 sample, genuine. Skim milk, 1 sample, genuine. Whisky, 1 sample, genuine. Flour, 3 samples, found to contain 0·9, 1·3, and 2·5 parts per million of nitrite as sodium nitrite. One sample of whisky was specially examined for cause of colour. This sample contained a considerable amount of matter in suspension, and was of a peculiar olive green colour. The suspended matter was found, on microscopical examination, to consist of pieces of wood. Further examination showed that this wood contained no colouring material soluble in alcohol. The alcoholic strength of the sample was 8·6 degrees under proof.

In connection with the milk standard investigation, 65 samples of milk were analysed.

Special Samples.

Glasford Filters, Clean Water Tank, 36 samples, examined for colour and alkalinity only.

Dust, 1 sample. Floor sweeping from house at No. 14 Ravenscraig. This material on examination was found to be chiefly earthy and ashy material, with numerous fibres, small pieces of wood and straw.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 559, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners, ...	322	Veterinary Surgeons, ...	25
Hospital Physicians, ...	156	Slaughter-house Staff, ...	1
Public Health Staff, ...	55		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—187.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	2	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	9	61*	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—
Lower ,,	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 96—	11	70	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	10	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	—	17	—	—	15	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	5	31	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 76—	5	50	4	—	15	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 15—	1	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.

TYPHOID FEVER—70.

	Blood. Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	13	21	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 34—	13	21	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 5—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	24	—	—	—	—	1	1
Lower ,,	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 31—	2	27	—	—	—	—	1	1

One specimen reserved from Middle Ward medical practitioner from a private individual treated with typhoid vaccine.

TUBERCLE—150.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	5	9	—	—
Middle ,, ...	8	37*	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	9	—	—
Total, 68—	13	55	—	—
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	1	—	—
Middle ,, ...	54	16	2‡	1†
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 74—	54	17	2	1
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	2	—	—
Lower ,, ...	1	5	—	—
Total, 8—	1	7	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff. † Exudate from Knee Joint.
‡ Includes Pleural Effusion and Fluid from Cold Abscess.

The distinction drawn by the Royal Commission between bovine and human tubercle has been kept clearly in view in all work done in the laboratory, but Dr. Patterson has had no opportunity of carrying out the elaborate tests necessary for distinguishing the bovine type from the human. Some three months ago specimens from human and from bovine sources were inoculated, and the cultures subsequently obtained are now being tested. This involves a considerable amount of extra labour, but it is considered important that in certain specimens received in the laboratory an effort should be made to distinguish between bovine and human type.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—9.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—1 specimen from Lower Ward P.H. Staff gave positive result.

Pathogenic Micro-organisms.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave positive result.

Hairs for Ringworm.—5 specimens received School Medical Staff in Middle Ward. 4 gave positive results, one of which was Favus.

Pernicious Anæmia.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave positive result.

Laryngeal Tumour.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Hospital Physician, on section proved to be blood clot.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—26.

Anthrax.—1 specimen of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Middle Ward gave positive result.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—1 specimen of liver and lung of cow received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave negative result.

The following specimens under the Tuberculosis Order were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Middle Ward, 6 specimens of mucus from cows, 3 of which gave positive results.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears. +	Smears. o	Biological Tests. Commenced.	Biological Tests. Completed. +	Biological Tests. Completed. o
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	1
Middle ,,	3	11	8	1	4
Lower ,,	—	4	3	—	1
Total, 18—	3	15	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—116.

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens. o
Hamilton, ...	2	1	—	24	2	8	—	—	—	—	3†	—
Airdrie, ...	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	1*
Coatbridge,	—	2	15	17	2	5	—	—	—	—	3*	1*
Rutherglen,	1	—	1	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	2	—	1‡	1	1	—	—	—	—	2*	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	1	1	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	1*	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 116—	3	6	17	50	8	21	—	—	—	—	9	2

* Hairs for Ringworm from School Medical Staff.

† Includes 2 specimens of Hairs for Ringworm from medical practitioner. ‡ From School Medical Staff.

Venereal Diseases.—For some years now specimens have been examined for the detection of gonococci, the germ which causes one form of venereal disease, and recently preparation has been made for the carrying out of what is known as Wassermann's test, an aid in the detection of another form of venereal disease known as Syphilis. To carry out this test it is necessary to make certain preparations, involving the inoculation of rabbits. For this work a special license is required from the Home Office and this has been obtained. The preparations are now ready and have been tested. Special outfits are also required and these are on order. It is therefore hoped that in the course of a few days, medical practitioners throughout the county will be informed that they can have specimens examined by the Wassermann test, free of charge.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution. Nature.	Sources of Pollution. Number.	Inspections. Number.	Samples. Number.	Pollutions Detected.
Ammoniacal Works, - -	7	7	...	1
Chemical ,, -	1	1	...	...
Coal-dross Washers, - -	25	37	11	9
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	...	...	...	...
Paper Mills, - - - -	2	2	...	...
Distillery, - - - - -	...	...	...	..
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	10	16	1	..
Streams, - - - - -	36	71	19	...
Total, -	81	134	31	10

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION. TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.																	Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Abington.	Bishopbriggs.	Blackwood.	Calderbank and Chapelhall.	Cambuslang.	Carluke.	Cleland.	Crawford.	Farme and Eastfield.	Forth and Wilsontown.	Lenzie.	Lesmahagow.	Newarthill.	Overtown.	Stonehouse.	Strathaven.	Burgh of Wishaw.			
Sweet Milk,	...	2	1	...	4	6	2	3	3	5	1	7	2	3	3	...	5	47	47	6
Skimmed Milk,	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	1
Cream,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Butter,	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	...
Paisley Flour,	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Rice,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	2	...
Essence of Coffee with Chicory,	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Ground Ginger,	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Compound Liquorice Powder,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Lime Juice Cordial,	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Raspberry Fruit Wine,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...
Lemon Squash,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Whisky,	...	...	...	...	1	..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	1	5	1	3	6	6	3	6	5	7	4	7	2	4	5	...	5	70	70	7
Number of Shops, &c., Visited.	2	4	1	9	11	7	3	6	4	5	4	4	...	5	9	3	5	82	...	...

Margarine Contraventions—Cambuslang, 1; Lenzie, 1; Stonehouse, 1.
Informal Samples—Sweet Milk, 7; Skimmed Milk, 1; Cream, 1; Flour 1; Compound Liquorice Powder, 1.
Formal Samples—Procured by means of an agent—Sweet Milk, 2; Butter, 2.
Received privately—Sweet Milk, 2.

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 12*th November*, 1913.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

NOVEMBER, 1913.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

114 inspections were made, 25 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected :—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
	November	
Allanton Colliery, - -	21st	* Wagon-drip ponds silted up. Remedied.
Baton ,, - -	7th	* Settling area under repair.
Darngavil ,, - -	5th	* Settling areas silted up. To be remedied.
Home Farm ,, - -	21st	* Slight wagon-drip pollution.
Meadowhead ,, - -	28th	* Outlet of new settling tank defective.
Stane ,, - -	14th and 26th	Discharge black and turbid.

* Reported at Company's Office.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Allanton and Home Farm Collieries.—The pollutions detected from these collieries were slight, and occurred in connection with the disposal of wagon-drip.

Baton Colliery.—The improvements promised to be made on the defective settling-area, reported in September and October, were in progress at time of inspection, when pollution was detected on 7th. On the Colliery Company's attention being called to the recurrence of pollution, steps were taken to stop the pollution by extending the outfall drain to a point where the coal-dross washings would not reach it. The Company expect to have the special plant, previously referred to, erected and completed within a month.

Darngavil Collieries.—The condition of the preventive measures at the washer for these collieries is referred to in the report for October. During November an attempt was made to improve one of the settling areas, but with unsatisfactory results. At a special meeting with the Darngavil Coal Company's district manager, however, he promised that additional labour would be employed, and the settling areas put into satisfactory condition without delay.

Meadowhead Colliery.—Reference to pollution here was made in the report for October. Since then a new settling tank has been provided, but as the outlet from it is defective there is a recurrence of pollution. A sample taken at time of inspection contained on analysis about 2,500 parts per 100,000 suspended matter. The further attention of the Colliery owner has been called to this pollution.

Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.—Special inspections have been made at these Collieries, and samples taken for analyses in view of legal proceedings.

Swinhill Colliery.—The settling area at this colliery, also owned by the Darngavil Coal Company, was found defective and reported to the Company's manager.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Bellshill—Hattonrigg Sewage Works.—A six hours' average sampling of the crude, tank, and filter effluents was carried out at these works on 12th November. The results of analysis will be found in the Chemical Laboratory portion of this report. During the hours of sampling there was considerable rainfall, consequently the storm-overflows were in operation and the tanks and filters taxed to their utmost, with about three times the normal flow of sewage. The following information was obtained from the District Engineer:—

Sewage.	Gallons.
Total flow for six hours, ...	328,275
Flow over Storm Weirs, ...	1,063
Flow treated in Tanks and Filters, ...	259,637
Flow treated in Tanks only, ...	67,575

The sewage receiving treatment in both tank and filters was at the rate of 106·52 gallons per day per head of population.

The filtration was at the rate of 383 gallons per day per cubic yard of filtering material.

A series of samples is intended to be taken each month, extended over a period of a year.

Newmains—Crindledyke Sewage Works.—These works are nearing completion and will deal with the major portion of the sewage of Newmains District.

Braidwood.—Inspections were made in the months of August and September in connection with a requisition to form a special drainage area for Braidwood. On 6th November further inspections and inquiries were made by the Medical Officer, in company with the Rivers Inspector, Sanitary Inspector, and District Committee's Engineer, the results of which were reported verbally to the District Clerk. To enable a complete report on the matter, however to be prepared, further details as to the present means of drainage for some of the houses in the district are required, and this information is to be obtained by the Sanitary Inspector.

Thankerton.—In connection with the complaints made relative to the sewage disposal of this small special district in the Upper Ward (one of which was addressed to the Local Government Board), a special report has been prepared and forwarded to the Board.

STREAMS.

In connection with trade and sewage pollutions, 24 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

River Clyde.—A series of samples was taken between Motherwell and Hamilton Railway Bridge, and Clyde Iron Works, Tollcross, with samples of the Avon, South Calder, and North Calder.

North Calder.—On 20th November this stream was affected by a bright red discoloration due to discharges from the paper mills on the upper-reach.

South Calder.—A special series of samples was taken of this stream between Motherwell and Shotts, together with samples from the Todhole Burn and the Blind Burn in connection with trade pollutions.

Tollcross Burn.—In connection with the proposal by the owners of new collieries at Barrachnie to discharge pit water into this burn, within the Lower Ward, the Company has agreed to erect a large settling pond into which the pit water will flow before passing to the burn.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 65, and 74 samples, including 20 informal samples, were procured (see Table III). Of these, 65 were analysed by the Public Analyst, 6 in the Chemical Laboratory, and 3 were not analysed, two being samples of margarine supplied in the statutory wrappers on demand for butter, and one a sample of fresh butter.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date Purchased.	Locality where Purchased.	Certified.
460	Sweet Milk, -	6th Nov.,	Birkenshaw, -	5 per cent. deficient in milk fat.
471	Do., -	11th Nov.,	Riddrie, -	6 per cent. deficient in milk fat.
473	Skimmed Milk, -	11th Nov.,	Stepps. -	5 per cent. deficient in milk solids.
481	Sweet Milk, -	13th Nov.,	Newarthill, -	6 per cent. deficient in milk solids other than fat.
493	Do., -	20th Nov.,	Muirhead, -	6 per cent. deficient in milk fat and 9 per cent. in milk solids other than fat.
496	Skimmed Milk, -	20th Nov.,	Do.,	20 per cent. deficient in milk solids.
505	Sweet Milk, -	25th Nov.,	Newmains, -	8 per cent. deficient in milk fat.
518	Butter, - -	28th Nov.,	Birkenshaw,	Margarine.

Regarding samples Nos. 460, 471, and 481, it has been deemed undesirable to take legal proceedings in view of the smallness of the deficiencies.

Samples of the consignments to a large retailer of milk were taken on delivery by request. Two samples of sweet milk, one of skimmed milk, and one of cream were taken, and one of the sweet milk samples (No. 481) was certified to be 6 per cent. deficient in milk solids other than fat. This deficiency, however, was considered too small to warrant legal proceedings, but further inquiry will be made at the farm from which the milk was supplied.

Two of the samples of skimmed milk supplied from milk carts after samples of sweet milk had been procured, were certified to contain 2·18 and 2·10 per cent. of milk fat respectively. In view of these high figures for milk fat, it is probable that the milk was really being supplied to the public as sweet milk.

Of the informal samples—three of sweet milk received from Stonehouse Hospital, and three of butter procured by agents were certified to be not genuine. The certificates of analysis of the sweet milk were transmitted to the hospital physician. and as regards the butters, arrangements will be made to procure formal samples by means of agents from the vendors concerned.

Three samples labelled "Essence of Coffee with Chicory" and two labelled "Essence of Chicory with Coffee" were procured. On analysis, the former were certified to contain extracts of coffee and chicory in the proportions of 1 in 4·3, 1 in 3·7, and 1 in 1 respectively, and the latter in the proportions of 1 in 45 and 1 in 3·2 respectively. Two of the samples, one labelled "Coffee with Chicory" and the other "Chicory with Coffee," procured from the same shop, contained extracts of coffee and chicory in the proportions of 1 in 3·7, and 1 in 3·2. The chicory being in the larger proportion the proper designation should obviously be "Essence of Chicory with Coffee," and accordingly the firm that supplied the two samples differently labelled has been written to on the subject.

The sample of sausage was certified to be genuine and to be free from boracic acid.

Whisky.—The four samples of whisky were certified to be genuine within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act. The strengths were 23·6, 22·0, 20·3, and 15·8 degrees under proof respectively. The last two were procured from vendors with previous offences against them for selling whisky under the statutory strength.

Margarine Contraventions. — Five offences were detected, viz.:—one of exposing margarine for sale without the statutory label, three of supplying informal samples of margarine without the statutory wrapper when butter was asked by an agent, and one the dual offence of supplying margarine for butter from an unlabelled bulk and without the statutory wrapper. Legal proceedings are being instituted in the latter case.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration.

Case No. 86.—As recorded in the July report this case was dismissed owing to a technical objection sustained by Sheriff Shennan. A case was stated to the Justiciary Appeal Court upon the point of law upon which the technical objection was founded. The discussion took place on 7th November, and their Lordships delivered judgment on 8th November. By a majority the Court decided against the Council. Lord Johnston dissented, holding that to decide as the Sheriff had done was "to strain at a gnat and to run technicality to death."

Case No. 390.—A sample of skimmed milk certified to be deficient in milk solids other than fat 6 per cent. This case was before Sheriff Scott Moncrieff in Glasgow, on 19th November. The respondent admitted the offence and the Sheriff imposed a penalty of £3.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 28 samples were completed during the month; 20 being under Rivers Pollution; 2 under Public Health; and 6 under Food and Drugs Acts.

Rivers Pollution.

Sewage Works.—Three samples. A special sampling extending over six hours was made at Bellshill Sewage Purification Works, one sample each of crude sewage, tank and filter effluent being taken. The results of analysis indicate that an average purification of 64 per cent. was obtained.

Trade Effluents.—Two samples. One sample effluent from Stane Colliery and one from Meadowhead Colliery.

Streams.—15 samples. Shirrel Burn, 2 samples, taken above and below outfall from Bellshill Sewage Purification Works. Todhole Burn, 1 sample taken immediately before joining South Calder. South Calder, 3 samples taken at Carfin House; Swinstie; and Allanton. River Clyde and tributaries, 9 samples. Taken at the usual places of sampling between Camp Bridge and Clyde Iron Works with tributaries Avon, South Calder, and North Calder.

Public Health.

Two samples of water from private supplies:—Spring, Nether Hanging Shaw Farm, Coulter; Well, Rigside, Douglas.

Food and Drugs.

Milk, 6 samples. Two received privately and found genuine. Four received from Stonehouse Hospital, 1 genuine; 2 deficient in fat to the extent of 7 and 10 per cent. respectively; and 1 deficient in fat to the extent of 3 per cent. and in solids not fat 9 per cent.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 592, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners,	... 281	Veterinary Surgeons,	... 26
Hospital Physicians,	... 171	Slaughter-house Staff,	... 1
Public Health Staff,	... 113		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—252.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	9	9	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	15	45	6*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—
Lower ,,	6	7†	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 105—	30	61	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	1	14	1	—	8	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	21	34	10	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 98—	22	48	11	—	9	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	4	1	—	—	—	1	10	1	—	—	—
Lower ,,	8	16	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 49—	8	26	2	—	1	—	1	10	1	—	—	—

* Includes 2 from School Medical Staff.
† ,, 1 ,, ,,

TYPHOID FEVER—105.

	Blood.				Fæces.		Urine.	
	Widal.		Culture.					
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	15	14	—	—	—	1	—	1
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 31—	15	14	—	—	—	1	—	1
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	3	5	—	—	—	5	—	5
Lower ,,	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 21—	6	5	—	—	—	5	—	5
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	12	23	—	—	—	6	1	9
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
Total, 53—	12	23	—	—	—	8	1	9

TUBERCLE—112.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	2	4	—	—
Middle ,, ...	6	39*	—	2†
Lower ,, ...	—	3	—	—
Total, 56—	8	46	—	2

Hospital Physicians—					
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—	
Middle ,, ...	26	24	—	—	
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—	
Total, 50—	26	24	—	—	
Public Health Staff—					
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—	
Middle ,, ...	—	1	—	—	
Lower ,, ...	3	2	—	—	
Total, 6—	3	3	—	—	

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff. † 2 Urines.

CEREBRO-SPINAL MENINGITIS—2.

	Fluids.		Swabs.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	1	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 1—	—	1	—	—
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	—	—	1
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 1—	—	—	—	1

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—9.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—2 specimens from Lower Ward Public Health Staff and 3 from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave negative results.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Hospital Staff and 1 specimen from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave negative results.

Ringworm.—1 specimen of hairs and 1 scraping of skin received from School Medical Staff in Middle Ward gave negative results.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—27.

Anthrax.—2 specimens of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Middle Ward and 2 from Upper Ward gave positive results.

Tubercle.—1 specimen of lung and udder of cow received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave positive result.

Mange.—1 specimen from skin of pony received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Middle Ward gave negative result.

The following specimens under the Tuberculosis Order were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Middle Ward, 4 specimens of mucus from cows gave positive results.

Lower Ward, 1 specimen of mucus from cow gave positive result. 1 specimen of saliva from cow gave negative result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	1	2	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	10	8	1	6
Lower ,,	1	1	1	—	3
Total, 15—	2	13	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—85.

	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
Burgh.	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton, ...	—	1	5	7	2	17	—	—	—	—	—	6†
Airdrie, ...	1	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	1	—	8	13	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rutherglen,	—	1	—	3	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 85—	2	5	13	24	7	27	—	—	—	—	1	6

† Waters.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	5	5	...	...
Coal-dross Washers, - -	20	28	4	7
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	...	...	...	...
Paper Mills, - - -	...	...	...	...
Distillery, - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	4	12	3	...
Streams, - - - - -	24	69	18	...
Total, - -	53	114	25	7

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.											Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Blantyre.	Cambuslang.	Carnbroe and Brewsterford.	Gartness.	Hallside.	Larkhall, Birkenshaw, & Dalserf.	Muirhead.	Newarthill.	Newmains.	Stepps and Kiddrie.	Stonehouse.			
Sweet Milk,	5	6	3	...	2	7	3	6	7	2	4	45	45	8
Skimmed Milk,	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	1	1	...	7	7	2
Cream,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...
Butter,	...	...	...	1	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	7	6	4
Nut Butter,	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...
Margarine,	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	3	1	...
Essence of Coffee with Chicory,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	3	3	...
Essence of Chicory with Coffee,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	2	...
Whisky,	...	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	4	...
Sausage,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	1	...	1	1	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	5	6	6	1	2	14	7	9	13	7	4	74	71	14
Number of Shops, &c., Visited,	5	8	5	1	2	14	4	5	14	7	...	65	...	...

Margarine contraventions—Birkenshaw, 2; Blantyre, 1; Larkhall, 2.
Informal Samples—sweet milk, 6; skimmed milk, 1; cream, 1; butter, 5; nut butter, 1; margarine, 2; essence of coffee with chicory, 2; essence of chicory, with coffee, 2.
Informal Samples procured by means of an agent—butter, 4; margarine, 2.
Formal Samples procured by means of an agent—sweet milk, 4; butter, 1.
Samples taken in course of delivery—sweet milk, 2; skimmed milk, 1; cream, 1.
Samples received privately—sweet milk, 6.

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 26*th December*, 1913.

APPENDIX IV.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICIARY.

OPINIONS OF JUDGES

IN STATED CASE:

JOHN THOMSON WILSON

v.

WILLIAM FLEMING.

8th November, 1913.

THE LORD JUSTICE-GENERAL: My Lords, the Respondent here was charged with an offence under the 6th Section of the Food and Drugs Act of 1875. The Complaint sets out that, on the 19th March, 1913, at a specified place, he (the Respondent) sold to the Complainer a certain quantity of milk which was not genuine, because it had less than 3 per cent. of milk fat.

When we turn to the Stated Case we find that it was proved that not the Respondent but his servant, acting as his servant in charge of his milk-cart at the time, supplied to the Prosecutor the quantity of milk specified. Now, on these facts so stated, I should have been of opinion that it was impossible to convict under this Complaint; because the vital fact that there was a sale is nowhere found to be stated in the facts proved as set out in the Stated Case. For aught that appears this case is identical with the case cited to us yesterday afternoon, of *Lindsay* v. *Dempster*, where this Court held, affirming the decision of the Sheriff-Substitute at Edinburgh, that no sale had been effected where not the master but a servant had supplied the milk which was in his hands for delivery to a customer to whom it had already been sold, for delivery and not for sale.

Accordingly, if the question put to us had been whether an offence was proved under this Act, it being merely found that there had been a supply of milk by the Respondent's servant to the Prosecutor, I should have come to the conclusion that the Sheriff-Substitute was right in dismissing the Complaint. But, apparently, that was not the ground upon which the Sheriff-Substitute here

proceeded when he found the charge not proven, for we see from the Stated Case that his ground of judgment was this: that he was unable to hold that the Complaint charging the Respondent with the offence was sufficient to cover the case proved before him, which was the supply of milk not by the Respondent, but by a servant of the Respondent, and the Sheriff-Substitute thought that, in all fairness to the accused, he ought to have been told in the Complaint that the charge was not that he (the Respondent) had made the sale, but that one of his servants had made the sale; that, in short, the Complaint was lacking in specification, and did not give the Respondent the notice to which he was entitled of the character of the offence which it was intended to prove against him. In my opinion, the Sheriff-Substitute was right.

If this had been an ordinary crime, a crime pure and simple, there would be no question that a conviction of William Fleming for the act of Robert Fleming plainly would never stand. And, on the other hand, if this were a pure breach of civil contract, then I think a sale by the Respondent would be quite accurately and precisely described in a civil pleading as a sale by him, although it was actually effected by his servant or authorised agent. *Qui facit per alium facit per se.* But, in the present instance, we have to deal with an offence charged under a certain Statute which imposes a very substantial penalty for breach of its provisions, and the question we have to consider is whether or no the Respondent had sufficient specification of the *modus* of the offence.

In my opinion he had not, and, in so holding, I think we are following and applying the principle which was laid down and applied —certainly not for the first time—in the case cited to us yesterday of *Gray & Company* v. *Macaulay*. My Lords, I freely allow that the terms of the Truck Act which were there under the consideration of the Court do differ, in some respects, from the terms of such Statutes as the Food and Drugs Act of 1875. By the terms of these Statutes it seems to be made very clear that the offences struck at were offences personal to the doer. It was individuals alone that were to be charged. That is brought out very clearly in the opinion of Lord Moncrieff, although it is beyond doubt that the judgment of the Lord Justice-Clerk and of Lord Trayner, who concurred in it, were based upon the broader ground. But it is not immaterial to observe that an offence can be committed under the Truck Acts by an employer acting through an authorised agent, and, in that respect, an offence under the Truck Acts stands distinguished from an ordinary crime as to which *culpa tenet suos auctores* always applies.

Now, it was urged upon us in this case that an offence charged under the 6th Section of the Food and Drugs Act, 1875, really dealt with an ordinary commercial sale, that it signified nothing whether that sale was effected by the master or by his authorised servant, and that a conviction under that section inflicted no personal stigma, and reflected no blame upon the accused who was convicted; that the *mens rei*, in short, was not necessary to a conviction under this 6th Section. All that may be true, but it does not appear to me to affect the question which we have to decide, which is whether or no there was sufficient specification here to give the accused fair notice of the precise mode in which it is proposed to prove that he had committed the offence charged.

We were referred to a case, very like the present it was said—*Macaulay* v. *M'Kercher*—which, indeed, Counsel for the Respondent urged upon us was to be regarded as the converse of the case which we have before us. It, too, was a Complaint under the 6th Section of the Food and Drugs Act, and the Complaint alleged that the purchase of the milk had been made by the Prosecutor, whereas the actual purchase had been made by his assistant, who went to the milkman and exchanged the money with the milkman. The Complaint was held to be unobjectionable, and although at first sight it might appear to be the converse of the present case, upon examination it will be found to be entirely different, for there the Court held the Complaint to be unobjectionable for this reason, that it was a mere question of description, and did not in any way affect the essence of the criminal charge.

I have, for my own part, found more difficulty in dealing with what have been called, in the course of the discussion, the public-house cases, of which *Linton* v. *Stirling* is a typical example. These were all cases in which publicans were charged with breach of the conditions of their Certificate in respect that they had sold liquor to persons who were already intoxicated, and the charge was expressed in the same way in which the Complaint is set out in the present instance, without specifying the servant or without saying that the sale made was by a servant or agent.

Now, the answer to these cases seems to me to be threefold: (First) It is noticeable that the question was never raised with regard to specification; it was neither considered nor decided. In the second place, it would be very difficult to say that it was a matter material to the charge to specify the servant, because a salesman or shopkeeper at the back of a counter in a public-house who effected a sale could

never be said to be an unauthorised person on the part of the publican, and it never could be said that the publican would be entitled to shelter himself behind a defence that it was his servant and not he—a servant unauthorised to make the sale across the counter. It is materially different in that respect, therefore, from the present case, where the imperfection which was held to be fatal to the Complaint in *Lindsay* v. *Dempster* is open. But, third and most material of all, it appears to me that the public-house case is not analogous, though germane, to the present case, for this reason that it was not, in the proper sense of the word, a criminal charge or even a statutory offence that was being tried, but a breach of the conditions of the licence, and the distinction between a criminal or a *quasi* criminal charge and a breach of the conditions of the licence was brought out with great clearness and distinctness in the opinion of Lord M'Laren in *Linton* v. *Stirling*, where his Lordship said: "If legislation on this subject "had taken the line of making it an offence to supply liquor to a "person in a state of intoxication—on account, it may be, of danger to "the public or to himself—then the argument stated to us would have "been relevant. We should then have had to consider whether a "person charged was guilty of supplying drink to an intoxicated "person: that is to say, whether he was guilty of the intention to do "so, and did it knowingly. That, however, is not the principle of "legislation on this subject. The licensee is put under the conditions "of a certificate, and for a breach of such certificate he is made liable "to a civil action for penalties." And his Lordship goes on to develop the same idea in subsequent paragraphs on the same page and in the same judgment.

Now, my Lords, I think it is incumbent on the Prosecutor in a case such as the present to give the accused full and clear specification of the *modus* of the offence, in order to enable him to protect himself by adequate evidence against the charge brought against him; and, as Lord Skerrington pointed out in the course of the discussion, that is not imposing an undue and excessive burden upon him, because if he does not know the name of the servant he has only to set that forth, stating that it was a servant of the accused and not the accused himself.

I should not have so held had I thought that the effect of our judgment would be to defeat the objects of this useful Act of Parliament or to cause any undue or unnecessary embarrassment to the Inspectors in the performance of their undoubtedly often difficult and delicate duties. I cannot think that that is so, and I agree, therefore, with the Sheriff-Substitute when he found that the

Complainer was bound, as a matter of reasonable specification, to state in the Complaint that the demand was made to a servant, and that the Complaint, as framed, cannot be reasonably interpreted as covering such a case.

I propose, therefore, to your Lordships, that we should answer the question put to us in the negative.

Lord Johnston: My Lord, I have considered this case carefully since it was heard yesterday, and I am confirmed in the opinion which I then held, and which, I regret to say, does not consist with that which your Lordship has just pronounced.

Section 6 of the Sale of Food and Drugs Act of 1875 enacts that no person shall sell to the prejudice of the purchaser any article of food which is not of the nature, substance, and quality of the article demanded by such purchaser, under a penalty. The Respondent, William Fleming, a dairyman, was charged with so selling an article of food, namely, milk. There is no question raised in the case as to the infraction of the statutory provision by someone, that someone being Robert Fleming, acting as his father's servant. I say that because of the statement in the case, and because there is no indication by the Sheriff-Substitute in the case that any question was raised about the fact that Robert Fleming was acting as his father's servant. The sole question is whether the complaint is so drawn as to justify a conviction of the Respondent himself. The Sheriff-Substitute would have convicted but for the view he has taken of the form of the Complaint.

From the Complaint, it is made perfectly clear that William Fleming is a dairyman and farmer carrying on his trade at Auldton Farm, Dalserf, and that he is not the keeper of a dairyshop. It is also made perfectly clear that the sale alleged took place, on a date mentioned, in a street named Dunlop Place, Dalserf, and at a specific point—opposite No. 37 thereof. But the Complaint does not say anything about the Respondent's son or servant. It merely charges that William Fleming did, in response to a demand made for the Complainer, who is the County Medical Officer of Health, by Charles MacAra, a County Inspector, sell to the Complainer the milk in question. The objection made and sustained by the Sheriff-Substitute is that the Complaint does not say that William Fleming, the Respondent, did by the hand of his servant, Robert Fleming, or of a servant whose name is unknown to the Complainer, sell the milk in question. The Sheriff-Substitute thinks that the Complainer " was

" bound as a matter of reasonable specification to state in the " Complaint that the demand was made to a servant of the " Respondent, and that the Complaint as framed could not be " reasonably interpreted as covering such a case."

In respect that the sale by a servant is, in the sense of the Statute, a sale by the employer, and entirely on his responsibility, I think that this is carrying the demand for specification beyond what is reasonable. It must be inferred. The precise place at which the sale is made and the date are given, and I do not see how he is prejudiced by not being told that it is not suggested that he made the sale personally, but that it was made by his servant, named or unnamed.

My Lord, I do not delay your Lordship by reference to the case of Parker, in which Lord Russell of Killowen laid down the law of liability in this case entirely to the effect that, quite independent of any personal act or any personal intention, the dairyman himself is the offender if an offence is committed. The real question in such cases is not the fact of the sale but the nature, substance, and quality of the thing sold. Careful provision is made by Section 14 for the partition of the article sold into three parts for the purposes of analysis, for notification " to the seller or his agent selling the article " of the purchaser's intention to have the same analysed, and for delivery of one of the parts to the seller or his agent. That all this was done correctly is shewn by the fact that the Sheriff-Substitute states that: " The milk contained only 2·73 per cent. of milk fat, and the evidence " led for the Respondent did not, in my opinion, prove that the milk " was genuine."

In these circumstances, to acquit on the ground of the want of specification alleged appears to me to be carrying formality beyond reason. I therefore think that the question submitted to the Court should be answered in the affirmative, and the case remitted to the Sheriff-Substitute.

That is the opinion which I should have formed without any reference to authority, but I feel I am bound to consider the authorities which have been referred to, and I take on them, I am sorry to say, a diametrically opposite view to that which your Lordship has expressed.

I take in the first place the case of *Gray*. Now, the case of *Gray* does not differ in immaterial circumstances, but it differs *toto cælo*. It is not a case in which the intervention of the principal employer—he is liable, as Lord Russell of Killowen showed in a case under the

Food and Drugs Act—it is a case in which, on the very Statute under which the the prosecution proceeded, a question at once arises whether the principal employer or his agent is the person who will ultimately be found liable. Under those circumstances I refer, as your Lordship does, to Lord Moncrieff's opinion, who shows in great detail how emphatically that rules the whole consideration of that case. If that case is totally different in its circumstances, and if its circumstances are such as to infer that, in that case, there must be tabled not merely an agent, but the actual agent who will actually be liable—it seems to me that that is absolutely no authority for the judgment that we are asked to pronounce here.

Passing then to another point, I must ask your Lordship's permission to refer to the recent Statute of 1908, the Summary Jurisdiction Act. The 19th Section of that Statute which, I may remind your Lordships, was largely passed for the purpose of shortening procedure and shortening forms, says this:—" A charge " in such a Complaint shall be stated in accordance with the forms " contained in Schedule C to this Act. No further specification shall " be required than a specification similar to that given in said forms." Now when I come to look at the forms, I find that the description in the 1st Sub-Section is:—" The description of any offence in the words of the statute or order contravened, or in similar words, shall be sufficient."

When I go to the Schedule, I find that the form for every case is not included, but I find that the nearest case to the present is that of sales in a public-house. And of the forms given, which are to be held sufficient, not one of them indicates that anybody but the principal in the business is to be included in the Complaint.

I take one of them:—A.B., hotel-keeper at so-and-so, you are charged that on Sunday you did sell a pint of whisky to C.D., and so on. There is no suggestion that it is necessary to indicate " by your " servant," named or unnamed. Now, it seems to me that in connection with that question the case of *Macaulay* is really of very great importance. If this offence is necessarily to be charged with specification of who sold the milk in question, it must be so charged not that the sale is made from the street as here, but that it is made in the shop. You must say: " C.D., the girl who serves the shop," or, if you do not know the girl's name, you must say: " some " employee to the Complainer unknown." Now, if it be so necessary where the sale is of milk over the counter in a shop, I cannot see on what grounds of reason it should not be necessary if the sale is not of milk, but of whisky across the counter in a public-house. I cannot make any distinction between them.

But when I come to the case of *Macaulay*, I must say that I read it again differently from your Lordship. In that case the objection was that the purchase, not the sale, was made by the Complainer, who was the Inspector of Weights and Measures. The proof shewed that the purchase was not made by the Complainer at all, but that it was made by a subordinate on his behalf. Now, I confess I cannot distinguish between the sale and the purchase here if it be a question solely of necessary specification in order reasonably to give information to the accused. I should say that it is rather more necessary to specify the actual purchaser than the actual seller. Because if you say that the purchase is made by A.B., and the man knows that A.B. was never near him, it does not follow that he knows who A.B.'s agent is. He knows perfectly well who his own agent is, and, therefore, I should say specification was more necessary in the case of the Complainer than in this case. But what I think makes the case more emphatically clear is the ground of judgment upon which the Court proceeded. There are only two judges who give opinions. The Lord Justice-Clerk says: "I hold that a person who sends a messenger to buy an "article of food for him is the purchaser within the meaning of the "Act." If I read that as applicable to the present case, it seems to me, *mutatis mutandis*, exactly what is necessary. But Lord M'Laren makes it still more clear. He says that the purchase was made for the inspector by his servant. "The inspector was creditor for the "delivery of the goods under a contract of sale, and was therefore "rightly described as the purchaser." Why should I not be entitled to say: "The sale was made for the accused by his servant; the accused was debtor for the delivery of the goods under the contract of sale, and was therefore rightly described as the seller"? It seems to me that it is absolutely clear that this judgment cannot stand alongside of the former.

My Lord, for these reasons I should have come to the conclusion that the Sheriff-Substitute was wrong.

The most extraordinary part of the case is that the case shows so clearly in itself that there is no prejudice; and, at the end of the day, after all the proof and all the defence is disposed of, the Sheriff-Substitute turns round and says: "I cannot convict, because "theoretically there should have been something more in the way "of specification to enable the accused to meet the case against him."

My Lord, I come to the conclusion that, as in *Macaulay's* case, this is straining at a gnat, and that it is riding technicalities of procedure to death, and that the Sheriff-Substitute should have proceeded, as he logically could, upon the statement of the evidence, to convict, and not acquit.

Lord Mackenzie : We are sitting here as a Court of Review, and are asked to alter the judgment of a very experienced Sheriff-Substitute upon the question whether, in the circumstances of the present case, the Complainer is given reasonable specification or not. The Sheriff-Substitute, after hearing the evidence in the case, came to the conclusion that there was not reasonable specification, and from that I draw a conclusion entirely opposed to that just expressed by my learned brother, Lord Johnston.

I regard the finding of the Sheriff-Substitute as meaning this : that he was proceeding upon no mere technicality, but was proceeding upon the view that substantial injustice might be done to a person charged under this Section of the Act, if he were not told, in the body of the Complaint, that the sale for which he was sought to be made criminally responsible was not made by himself, but was made by the hand of a servant. And the Sheriff-Substitute expressed his opinion in this form :—" In my opinion, proof of demand to and delivery by " the Respondent's servant in the Respondent's absence was not " sufficient to prove sale by the Respondent in response to a demand " by the inspector, as narrated in the Complaint."

Now, I may at once make this observation in regard to *Macaulay's* case, that *Macaulay's* case appears to me to have nothing whatever to do with the present, and for the simple reason that in that case the purchaser who purchased through an agent was not the person accused of a statutory offence. The whole point in this case is that you cannot find the person charged guilty as libelled, unless you find that he did sell through a servant who was acting in the scope of his employment. And that means this : that every person has notice in the body of the indictment that the sale was not by himself but by a servant. Then he has sufficient notice to prepare the defence which, it is perfectly plain, is open to him in Scotland, not only on the authority of *Lindsay* v. *Dempster*, but on the authority of many cases, such as *Linton* v. *Stirling*, and of *Patrick* v. *Kirkhope*, namely, that what the servant did was not within the scope of his authority.

My Lords, I confess that I think that the attempt that has been made to draw a close analogy between the present series of Acts and the public-house cases is futile, and that the analogy fails, and I may perhaps be permitted to draw attention to the preamble of the Act of 1875. These Acts were originally entituled " Acts to Prevent the Adulteration of Food." That expression has been taken out by the Act of 1875, and it is entituled " An Act to make better Provision for the Sale of Food and Drugs in a pure State "; and the preamble sets

out thus :—" Whereas it is desirable that the Acts now in force relating to the adulteration of food should be repealed, and that the law regarding the sale of food and drugs in a pure and genuine condition should be amended."

When one goes on to see in what association Section 6 occurs, we find that Section 3 deals with the prohibition of mixing any injurious ingredients and of selling the same. Section 4 deals with the prohibition of mixing drugs with injurious ingredients; and then you come on to Section 6, which provides that: " No person shall sell " to the prejudice of the purchaser." Now, I cannot accept the argument which was ably stated by Mr. Keith that there is no suggestion of any moral stigma if a man contravenes the provisions of the Food and Drugs Act of 1875. I do not think that the offence is in the same category as that which is constituted by a breach of the public-house certificate, and in confirmation of that I may point to the amending Act of 1879, which applies to the case in hand. Section 2 says :—(Reads).

And, therefore, it truly is a Complaint against this man of selling something which was adulterated.

Now, it is in these circumstances that the Sheriff has arrived at the conclusion he has done; and, for my part, I cannot find anywhere stated in the case that the son of William Fleming (the man charged) had any authority to sell this milk at all. The Sheriff-Substitute carefully sets out the fact, and he says on the date libelled the Respondent's milk-cart was in charge of the son, Robert Fleming, as the Respondent's servant, but whether he was an agent for sale or was merely the messenger sent for the purpose of delivering goods, and whether he was acting entirely outwith the scope of his employment, I do not know; and I cannot help thinking that the Sheriff-Substitute saw quite clearly—and I take the same view—that it is necessary, in a case of this kind, to give, in the body of the indictment, notice, so that a man may prepare himself for a possible case. And, therefore, I do not think that the provisions of the Act of 1908, or the form in the Schedule which applies solely to public-houses are really of any assistance.

In the public-house cases the point was not taken that there was not notice, and one can see there is a difference where the sale is by a servant who is put behind a counter or at a bar and can be put there for no other purpose. Therefore, I do not think that the fact that the form of the Complaints in the three public-house cases to which we were referred do not bear that the offence was committed through the hand of a servant is really any sound reason for saying that the man charged

in this case was not entitled to the notice that the Sheriff-Substitute has held he should have got. It is no answer in the present case to say anything against the case of *Hogg*. I can only say that it quite plainly appears that, in Scotland, if the facts were as brought out in *Lindsay*, that would supply a good defence.

Accordingly, upon these grounds I confess that I have no doubt that the Sheriff-Substitute here used a wise discretion—because, in dealing with questions of reasonable specification, necessarily the judge who tries the case does exercise a certain amount of discretion; he had a certain indictment before him, and he knew that a certain notice had not been given, and he refused to convict.

Lord Skerrington: I entirely agree with the opinions which have been delivered by your Lordship in the chair and by Lord Mackenzie. I only desire to add that, in concurring with your Lordships, I am very much influenced by the nature of the charge which was made against the Respondent, because I think that, as to the question whether a party has or has not received fair notice of a charge, it is impossible to shut one's eyes to the kind of offence with which the party is charged. Counsel for the Appellant laboured hard to establish that the only question before the Court was whether what he called a commercial sale had been effected by or on behalf of the Respondent, and he further argued that a conviction under Section 6 of the Act of 1875 involved no moral stigma against the Respondent. I entirely disagree with that suggestion. The charge, as I read it, is a charge of fraud, that the Respondent in response to a demand for sweet milk supplied something which was not sweet milk.

Now, I assume, of course, that cases may occur under this Statute where an employer may be made vicariously responsible for the fraudulent act of his servant acting within the scope of his authority, but these cases are exceptional, and if it is proposed to make a person vicariously liable it is only fair that he should be informed on the face of the Complaint that such an exceptional case is to be made against him. I think it is a universal rule of pleading, both in civil and in criminal practice, that a charge of fraud must be made with the very fullest specification.

Mr. Lords, I have just one other observation to make. Reference has been made in the course of the opinions of Lord Johnston and of Lord Mackenzie to the Schedule C appended to the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Act, 1908, and to the forms which are to be found in the Schedule as applicable to Complaints for the commission

of public-house offences. The Schedule does contain a clause applicable to the very offence with which we are here concerned, namely, that the Respondent " did, in response to a demand by him " for twopence worth of sweet milk, sell," and so on. I merely refer to that in order that it may be seen that I have not overlooked it. But the circumstance that the person who framed this Schedule did not, as I think, contemplate what was the proper form of charge in the case where the offence was committed by a servant, does not seem to me to throw any light, one way or the other, upon the question which has been argued to this Court.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 11th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 11th February, 1914.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
James Tonner.

Attending—
Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 14th January, 1914, copies of which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting a report (Appendix) by the County Medical Officer of proceedings under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for the month of December, 1913, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *County Medical Officer's report for December, 1913.*

Reference having been made by members of the committee to the pollution of the River Calder, arising from the Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills and the Glengowan Print Works, the County Medical Officer stated that the matter was receiving attention, and that, as instructed at a former meeting of the committee, he was in the course of preparing a special report, which would be submitted to the committee so soon as completed. *Rivers Pollution Prevention.—Pollution of River Calder.—Statement by County Medical Officer.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk stated that on 30th ultimo, when the case against the Burgh of Airdrie was again called, the Agent for the Town Council submitted and read a letter from Mr. Watson *Case against Burgh of Airdrie.*

of Manchester, stating that he could not recommend either of the schemes submitted to him, and that he thought a joint scheme for the two Burghs, such as suggested by Mr. Carter, would be the best, but that he did not wish this opinion to be taken as meaning that a separate scheme for the Burgh could not be carried out. He suggested that the whole matter required careful consideration, and that as he was about to proceed to America a delay of four months should be asked for.

Sheriff makes avizandum.

The Agent for the Burgh accordingly asked for a four months' continuation of the case, but this was opposed by the Council's Agents, and the Sheriff having agreed to proceed with the case a long debate followed, and the Sheriff made avizandum. The Clerk further stated that the Sheriff had not yet issued his judgment.

Bacteriological Laboratory—Introduction of electricity asked for by County Medical Officer.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the County Medical Officer, stating that in connection with the recent developments in the Bacteriological Laboratory it was found that the water power which was at present in use for driving the two centrifuges was insufficient to give the required speed for the work, and suggesting that electricity be introduced for this purpose.

Question of lighting.

Dr. Wilson further suggested that, assuming that the committee agreed to his suggestion, it might also be of advantage that the Public Health Department should be lighted with electricity, and he indicated that the total cost would not exceed £100.

Meeting's decision.

The Clerk having stated that the matter was one which would require to be considered by the committee in charge of the buildings, the meeting agreed to the work being carried out so far as their interests were concerned.

Letter from Royal Sanitary Institute inviting appointment of representatives to attend conference in July.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Royal Sanitary Institute, inviting this County Council to appoint representatives to attend the Congress of the Institute, to be held at Blackpool from 6th to 11th July next.

Letter from County Auditor on subject of appointment of delegates to attend congresses.

The Clerk also submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the County Auditor on the subject of expenses of delegates attending Congresses, stating that, apart from his own personal view as to the legality of such expenditure being charged to the rates, he could no longer, having regard to the practice in other Counties, allow such expenses to be a charge upon the rates, and suggesting that the County Council should adopt either of the following two courses, viz.:—

(1) To apply to the Secretary for Scotland for permission to pay such expenditure out of the Equivalent Grant, in respect that these Congresses are schemes of public utility; or

(2) To continue charging the expenditure to the rates, and allow the legality of the same to be settled on a report by him.

Remit by Finance Committee to Clerk to interview Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk further stated that this matter had been before a recent meeting of the Finance Committee, when, after very careful consideration, it was remitted to him to seek an interview with the Secretary for Scotland on the subject, with a view to some satisfactory arrangement being come to.

Appointment of representatives agreed to.—Question of number.

Mr. Shanks' motion.

The meeting having agreed to the principle that the County Council should be represented at the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute, Mr. Shanks moved that three members of the committee be appointed, along with the County Clerk and County Medical Officer, which was seconded by Mr. Love.

Mr. Sullivan's amendment.

By way of amendment, Mr. Sullivan moved that consideration of the matter be delayed, which was seconded by Mr. Tonner.

On a vote being taken by way of a show of hands as for and against the amendment, an equal number voted for and against, and the chairman, giving his casting vote against the amendment, accordingly declared the same to be lost. *Amendment lost.*

Thereafter Mr. Fraser moved, by way of further amendment, that two members be appointed, which was duly seconded. *Mr. Fraser's amendment.*

On a vote being taken by way of a show of hands as for and against the amendment, the majority voted against it, and it was accordingly declared to be lost. *Amendment lost.*

The motion to appoint three members was thereafter put to the meeting and agreed to. *Mr. Shanks' motion carried.*

It was agreed to delay nominating the members until the committee were informed of the result of the County Clerk's interview with the Secretary or Scotland. *Nomination of members delayed.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a statement of prosecutions under the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, as follows, viz.:— *Sale of Food and Drugs Acts.—Result of prosecutions.*

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
Alexander Morton, dairyman, Stepps Farm, Stepps	Skimmed milk—deficient in milk solids 5 per cent. by addition thereto of about 12 per cent. of water	Pled not guilty, and on proof being taken Sheriff found the charge not proven
Robert Craig, dairyman, Victoria Dairy, Manse Road, Newmains	Sweet milk — deficient in milk fat 8 per cent. and in milk solids 5 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £2 or 10 days
John Marshall, grocer, Dividend Stores, 134 Main Street, Wishaw	Dripping—contained 40 per cent. of cottonseed oil	Pled guilty and fined £2
William Aitken, general merchant, 7 Schipka Pass, Glasgow	Sold margarine as salt butter	Pled guilty and fined £20 or 60 days
Do. do.	Sold margarine as fresh butter	

The Clerk explained the circumstances of the case of William Aitken, and asked the instructions of the committee as to whether the proceedings which had been instituted against Mrs. Mary Clelland, Larkhall, who had purchased the article from the Agent acting for Aitken, should now be pressed. *Case of Mrs. Mary Clelland.*

The meeting agreed that the proceedings in this case should be dropped. *Proceedings to be dropped.*

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER, *DECEMBER, 1913.*

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

73 inspections and visits of inquiry were made, 27 samples taken (see Table II.) and the following trade pollutions detected :—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
Fortrigg Colliery, - -	December 16th	*Defective settling area.
Hallside ,, - -	30th	*Direct discharge to Newton Burn.
Kepplehill ,, - -	23rd	Serious pollution for a short period.
Kirkwood ,, - -	26th	*Defective settling area.
Stane ,, - -	10th	Serious pollution.
Swinhill ,, - -	9th	*†Settling area silted up.
Glengowan Print Works, -	29th	Coloured pollution continuous.
Caldercruix Paper Mill, -	29th	Settling pond silted up, pollution continuous.

* Reported at Company's office. † Reported to County Clerk.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Fortrigg Colliery.—The settling-areas on the bing were found defective, and permitted the coal washings to pass direct to the river Almond. Considerable improvements are required to prevent a recurrence of pollution. Meantime the matter has been brought to the notice of the colliery manager.

Hallside Colliery.—On inspecting the outfall at this colliery a serious pollution was detected and traced to be coming direct from the silt-recovery tank, in which a breakdown in the dredging buckets had taken place. The discharge was found flowing over the channel leading to the settling-ponds

because of a wooden obstruction in it. This was pointed out to the foreman in charge, who admitted having failed to remove the obstruction—a wooden sluice—which had been inserted to direct clear water from the ponds in the morning into the outfall drain. It was noted that the full contents of the tank had been discharged. This would represent a total of 20,000 gallons of coal-dross washings and about eight tons of silt.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—Further inspections have been made to these collieries, along with the Chemist, and a series of samples taken for analysis, in view of legal proceedings.

Kirkwood Colliery.—Coal-dross washings, after having been suspended for about two years, were resumed at this colliery during the month. Pollution was detected. Here the settling-areas are not satisfactory, and the local manager has been requested to improve them. Further inspections will be made.

Swinhill Colliery.—Pollution occurred at this colliery on account of the defective condition of the settling-area. The circumstances have been reported to the County Clerk.

Caldercruix Paper Mill.—The whole of the eight settling-ponds are at present silted up. The effluent is therefore highly turbid as entering the North Calder. This pollution is continuous.

Glengowan Print Works.—The effluent from the settling-ponds is highly coloured, and affects the North Calder for some considerable distance. This pollution is continuous.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Bellshill—Hattonrigg Sewage Works.—A six hours' average sampling of the crude sewage, tank and filter effluents, was carried out at these works on 20th. The analyses show the amount of purification effected to be about 79 per cent., as calculated on the albuminoid ammonia and the oxygen absorbed figures—see "Chemical Laboratory."

Loanend Cottage Sewage Works.—This is a small private installation for Company's houses. At time of inspection the discharge was slightly greyish, but did not affect the outfall watercourse.

Hamilton Sewage Works.—The pollution of the Park Burn by sewage sludge, referred to in the report for August, again occurred during the month, and the attention of the Burgh Surveyor was drawn to it.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollution 15 streams were inspected. The following may be specially referred to:—

Caley Burn, Bishopbriggs.—The upper reach of this burn at Old Auchenairn was inspected in connection with pollution by piggery drainage. Recently the owner of the piggery had provided a large tank, and opportunity was taken of sampling the stream during the time the new tank was being filled with the drainage and there was no discharge to the stream. This was carried out on 8th, and the analyses show that the stream was only slightly affected by sewage from the houses in Old Auchenairn. Further inspection will be made to ascertain the effect of the discharge with piggery drainage, after the tank has been in operation for some time.

South Calder.—Inspections were made of this stream, and pollution traced to the Blind Burn, which receives discharges of coal-dross washings from Stane and Kepplehill Collieries.

Food and Drugs.

The visits made during the month amounted to 58, and 59 samples, including 32 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these, 30 were analysed by the Public Analyst and 29 in the Chemical Laboratory.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date purchased.	Locality where purchased.	Certified.
526	Sweet milk, -	12th Dec.,	Newmains,	8 per cent. deficient in milk fat. and 5 per cent. in milk solids other than fat.
536	Dripping, - -	18th ,,	Wishaw, -	Not genuine in respect that it contains 40 per cent. of cottonseed oil.
566	Salt Butter, -	26th ,,	Larkhall, -	Margarine.
567	Fresh ,, -	,, ,,	,, -	Margarine.

Samples Nos. 566 and 567 were taken in course of delivery from the source from which sample No. 518, reported last month, was said to have come, viz.:—A vendor, with an office in Glasgow, trading as a general dealer, who carried on a large business by getting women (ordinary householders) to push the sale of fresh and salt butter. The samples were taken from a consignment in course of delivery to a woman in Larkhall who had been deceived into believing that it was pure butter.

Samples of sweet milk, skim milk, and cream were also taken on delivery from the farmer who supplied the milk to the retailer from whom Sample No. 505, reported in last month's report, was taken. They were all certified to be genuine, but the circumstances seemed to point to the probability that the farmer had been warned, and further samples will be taken. The case against the retailer has been dropped.

In connection with the sample of sweet milk, No. 481, reported last month, which was certified to contain 3·70 per cent. of milk fat and 7·90 per cent. of milk solids other than fat, and to be 6 per cent. deficient in milk solids other than fat, inspections were made on the 15th and 16th instant, at the farm, with a view to making an "appeal to the cow" by sampling the milk produced by the individual cows of the herd at an evening's and morning's milking. The herd consisted of 12 cows, and altogether 24 samples were taken. These were analysed in the Chemical Laboratory, and from the analyses it was found that none of the samples were below the standard of 3 per cent. for milk fat, and in only three instances did the milk solids other than fat fall below the standard of 8·5 per cent., viz.:—two 8·3 and 8·4 per cent. at the evening's milking, and one 7·9 per cent. at the morning's milking, and being the same cow as had 8·3 per cent. on the previous evening. The average composition of the evening's milk was 4 per cent. of milk fat and 9·12 per cent. of milk solids other than fat, and of the morning's milk was 4·0 per cent. of milk fat and 8·85 per cent. of milk solids other than fat.

Of the informal samples, two of sweet milk—the one received from Lightburn Hospital and the other from a farmer at Douglas—were both certified to be genuine.

One of the samples of skimmed milk, procured from a milk-cart after a sweet milk sample had been procured, was certified to contain 3·1 per cent. of milk fat and 8·3 per cent. of milk solids other than fat. These figures show that the sample is really sweet milk adulterated with 2 per cent. of water, and there is no doubt it was being supplied to the public as sweet milk.

Two samples of nut butter (Cashew) and nut margarine, procured last month, were not reported on by the Public Analyst till this month. The samples were supplied in boxes bearing printed matter to the effect that they were made from nuts only. The analyst gives the following approximate compositions of the fats of these samples:—

	Nut Butter.	Nut Margarine.
Cocoanut Oil, ...	68·0 °/₀	85·0 °/₀
Cottonseed Oil, ...	None	None
Butter Fat, ...	2·0 °/₀	4·0 °/₀
Other Animal Fat, ...	30·0 °/₀	11·0 °/₀

From advertisements it would appear that the manufacturer of these goods makes a speciality of meeting the requirements of vegetarians, but the above analyses do not bear out the statements that the articles are made from nuts only, in respect that animal fat is present, and a vegetarian purchaser would thereby be prejudiced.

Essence of Coffee and Chicory.—One sample of essence of coffee and four samples of essence of coffee and chicory were procured. These essences were all certified to be genuine, the coffee containing no chicory, and the coffee and chicory having the proportion of coffee in excess of the chicory.

An interview was arranged between the County Medical Officer and the representative of the manufacturers of the samples reported last month as labelled "Essence of Coffee with Chicory" and "Essence of Chicory with Coffee," which on analysis showed they contained practically the same component parts, with the proportion of chicory in excess. The representative of the manufacturers stated that, in their manufacture of essence of coffee and chicory, coffee was always in the larger proportion, and they therefore did not understand the analysis of the official sample, which showed that chicory was in excess. The third parts of the samples retained in the office were accordingly analysed, and, in a note accompanying the certificates, the Public Analyst states:—"These figures bear out my previous report that there is very little difference in the amount of coffee present in these two samples."

Whisky.—Of the 23 samples of whisky, 2 informal, procured by means of agent, were found on analysis in the Chemical Laboratory to be deficient in proof spirit, and arrangements will be made to procure a formal sample by means of an agent. One of the samples bore a notice that it was "40 degrees under proof."

Drugs.—The sample of sweet spirit of nitre was certified to be genuine, and to conform to the requirements of the "British Pharmacopœia."

Margarine Contraventions.—The only offences falling to be reported are those connected with butter samples Nos. 566 and 567, which were delivered in boxes without the word "Margarine" being branded on them.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration:—

Case No. 441.—A sample of sweet milk, certified to be deficient in milk fat 8 per cent. and milk solids other than fat 11 per cent. This case came before Sheriff Scott Moncrieff in Lanark, on 16th December, when the respondent pled guilty, and an agent on his behalf admitted that water had been added to the milk. The Sheriff imposed a penalty of £3, which was paid at the Bar.

Cases Nos. 493 and 496.—The former, a sample of sweet milk certified to be deficient in milk fat 6 per cent. and in other milk solids 9 per cent.; the latter, a sample of skimmed milk certified to be deficient in milk solids 20 per cent. These complaints were against one respondent, and came before Sheriff Thomson in Glasgow, on 7th January, 1914. An agent appeared for the respondent, and admitted the offences, subject to an explanation. The Sheriff did not consider the explanation satisfactory, and imposed a penalty of £3 3s., with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment in each case.

Fertilisers and Feeding-Stuffs Act.

Two inspections were made during the month, and 4 samples procured, 3 of which were informal. The formal sample, basic slag—taken at the request of the Avondale Farmers' Analytical Association, at Strathaven Railway Station—was certified by the Agricultural Analyst to be "not conform to the guarantee, in respect that it is deficient in fineness to the extent of 10 per cent. or thereby." The 3 informal samples, taken from a farm near Holytown, consisted of feeding-stuffs—2 of linseed oil cake and 1 of bean meal—and were certified to be genuine.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 125 samples were completed during the month, 19 being under *Rivers Pollution;* 10 under *Public Health;* and 53 under *Food and Drugs Acts.* There were also 43 special samples.

Rivers Pollution.

Sewage Works.—4 samples. Bellshill Sewage Purification Works, 3 samples, being six hourly average samples; Newmains Sewage Purification Works, 1 sample. This sample was specially examined for amount and nature of the matter in suspension.

Trade Effluents.—Coal washers—2 samples taken from Stane Colliery outfall. Pit water—1 sample from Stane Colliery.

Streams.—12 samples. Bishopbriggs Burn, above Auchenairn, 2 samples; Shirrel Burn, Bellshill Sewage Works, 2 samples; Blind Burn, 6 samples; and South Calder, 2 samples.

Public Health.

The following samples of water from private supplies:—Waird's Lodge, Hamilton, 4 samples, viz., water from well; water as entering filter; water, storage tank; and from tap in boiler-house.

From public supplies—Glasford clean-water tank, 6 samples.

Food and Drugs.

Total samples, 53. Milk, 4 samples; all genuine. Cream, 1 sample; genuine. Skim milk, 2 samples; genuine. Whisky, 22 samples, of which 2 were deficient in proof spirit. Milk, 24 samples. These samples represent morning's and evening's milk from individual cows. All samples were above the 3 per cent. standard for fat, while 3 were deficient in non-fatty solids.

Special Samples.

Glasford clean-water tank, 43 samples examined for colour and alkalinity.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 664, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners, ...	309	Veterinary Surgeons, ...	40
Hospital Physicians, ...	227	Constabulary Staff, ...	1
Public Health Staff, ...	87		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—311.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	13	18	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	20	44*	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	10†	21*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 131—	43	83	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	2	7	—	—	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	60	48	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 131—	62	56	4	—	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	2	26	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 49—	3	39	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff. † 1 Ear swab.

TYPHOID FEVER—58.

	Blood.						Urine.	
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.			
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	11	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total 19—	3	16	—	—	—	—	—	—

TYPHOID FEVER—*Continued.*

	Blood. Widal. +	Widal. o	Culture. +	Culture. o	Fæces +	Fæces o	Urine. +	Urine. o
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	—
Lower ,,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 8—	1	—	—	—	—	7	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	10	—	—	—	4	—	5
Lower ,,	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 31—	3	19	—	—	—	4	—	5

TUBERCLE—148.

	Sputa. +	Sputa. o	Miscellaneous. +	Miscellaneous. o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	2	12	—	—
Middle ,, ...	8	30	—	—
Lower ,, ...	1	4	—	—
Total, 57—	11	46	—	—
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	45	37	1*	4†
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 87—	45	37	1	4
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	1	1	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	2	—	—
Total, 4—	1	3	—	—

* Urine. † Includes 2 Pus, 1 Gland, 1 Urine.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—9

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—2 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff, and 1 from Lower Ward Public Health Staff gave negative results.

Hairs for Ringworm.—3 specimens received from School Medical Staff in Upper Ward gave positive results.

Pernicious Anæmia.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave negative result.

Wassermann Reaction for Syphilis.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward Hospital Physician gave positive result.

Seminal Stains.—1 parcel of clothing received from Constabulary gave positive result.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—39.

Anthrax.—5 specimens of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Middle Ward and 1 from Upper Ward gave positive results.

Mange.—2 specimens from skin of ponies received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Middle Ward, 1 of which gave positive result.

The following specimens under the Tuberculosis Order were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Upper Ward, 1 specimen of mucus from cow gave positive result. 1 specimen of udder secretion gave negative result.

Middle Ward, 2 specimens of mucus from cow and 1 of urine from cow gave negative results.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	3	12	6	—	1
Middle ,,	2	8	3	—	10
Lower ,,	—	1	1	—	2
Total, 26—	5	21	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—99.

	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Other Specimens.	
Burgh.	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton, ...	2	2	8	10	5	15	—	—	—	—	6	2
Airdrie, ...	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	—	—	3	9	2	8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rutherglen,	—	—	1	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	1*	1*
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	1†	—	—	—	—	2*	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	4*	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ..	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 99—	3	2	12	23	10	32	—	—	—	—	13	4

* Hairs for Ringworm from School Medical Staff.

† From School Medical Staff.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, - -	...	...	...	...
Coal-dross Washers, - -	20	24	4	6
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	1	...	1
Paper Mills, - - -	2	2	...	1
Distillery, - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	4	6	3	...
Streams, - - -	15	40	20	...
Total, - -	42	73	27	8

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.											Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Bellshill and Mossend.	Douglas.	Holytown and New Stevenston.	Larkhall.	Lesmahagow.	Newmains and Bonkle.	Netherton.	Shotts, Harthill & West Benhar.	Uddingston.	Lightburn Hospital.	Burgh of Wishaw.			
Sweet Milk, - -	...	1	...	...	8	4	1	8	...	1	...	23	23	1
Skimmed Milk, - -	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	3	3	...
Cream, - -	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Butter, - - -	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Fresh Butter, - -	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Dripping, - - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1
Essence of Coffee with Chicory, - - -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	4	...
Essence of Coffee, -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Whisky, - - -	5	...	5	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	10	23	23	2
Sweet Spirit of Nitre, -	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	5	1	5	4	8	7	2	9	...	1	17	59	59	6
Number of Shops, &c., Visited,	5	...	5	6	4	4	1	12	4	...	17	58	...	...

Margarine contraventions—Larkhall, 2.
Informal samples—sweet milk, 4; skimmed milk, 2; cream, 1; essence of coffee with chicory, 3; whisky, 22.
,, ,, procured by means of an agent—whisky, 18.
Samples taken in course of delivery—sweet milk, 1; skimmed milk, 1; cream, 1; butter, 1; fresh butter, 1.
Samples received privately—sweet milk, 2.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 26th January, 1914.

J. T. W.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 11th Mareh, 1914, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 11th March, 1914.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Colonel Buchanan.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
John Hurll.
John Jackson.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Sharp.
William Speirs.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
James Tonner.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medieal Offieer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the eommittee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a eopy of the notiee ealling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the eommittee, of date 11th February, 1914, whieh had been printed and sent to each member of the eommittee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting a Report (Appendix I.) by the County Medieal Offieer of proceedings under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Aets and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for the month of January, 1914, a print of whieh had been sent to eaeh member of the eommittee. *Report by County Medical Officer for January.*

As relative to the Report by the County Medieal Offieer with regard to Rivers Pollution, referenee was again made to the trade pollutions, particularly those arising from Moffat and Caldereruix Paper Mills and Hallside Colliery.

The County Medieal Offieer stated that he hoped to have the speeial report referring to Caldereruix and Moffat Paper Mills completed and sent out before the next meeting of the committee. *Special report regarding Caldercruix and Moffat Paper Mills.*

There were laid before the meeting the minutes of the Sub-Committee on Motor Car and Motor Cyele Allowanees to Medieal Officers, of date 25th February, 1914 (Appendix II.), a print of whieh had also been sent to eaeh member of the committee. *Minutes of Sub-Committee on Motor Car and Motor Cycle Allowances.*

Report of further meeting.

The Clerk reported the proceedings of a further meeting of the sub-committee which had been held immediately prior to this meeting, as the same are contained in the minutes of the meeting of the sub-committee which forms Appendix III. to this minute.

Motion by Chairman that recommendation of sub-committee be approved of.

The chairman moved the approval of the recommendations of the sub-committee, as set forth in the minutes, which was seconded by Mr. Prentice.

Amendment by Mr. Tonner ruled incompetent.

An amendment by Mr. Tonner, that the matter be remitted back to the sub-committee for the purpose of considering the question as to whether, as a matter of principle, motor cars and motor cycles provided by the Medical Officers should be used in connection with their duties as public officers, was ruled to be incompetent by the chairman.

Amendment by Mr. W. B. Thomson lost.

Thereafter Mr. W. B. Thomson moved, by way of amendment, that the matter be remitted back *simpliciter* to the sub-committee, which was seconded by Mr. Auld.

On a vote being taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted against the amendment, and it was declared to be lost.

Motion for approval of recommendation of sub-committee agreed to.

The motion for the approval of the recommendation of the sub-committee was thereafter put to the meeting and agreed to.

Congress of Royal Sanitary Institute at Blackpool.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the meeting continued for consideration the names of the members to be nominated as delegates to the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute, to be held at Blackpool in July next.

Congress of Incorporated Sanitary Association at St. Andrews.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the Incorporated Sanitary Association for Scotland, inviting the appointment of delegates to attend the Annual Congress of the Association, to be held at St. Andrews from 2nd to 5th September next.

Nomination of members delayed.

The meeting, after discussion, and on a division, agreed that three persons be nominated, along with the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer, to attend the Congress, but delayed nominating the members of the committee.

Communications regarding—

The Clerk also laid before the meeting the following communications, viz.:—

(1) *Victoria League Imperial Health Conference and Exhibition.*

(1) The Secretary of the Victoria League Imperial Health Conference and Exhibition, inviting the appointment of delegates to attend a Conference and Exhibition, to be held at the Imperial Institute, London, from 18th to 21st May next, for the discussion of questions relating to (*a*) Housing and Town Planning, and (*b*) The Care of Child Life, and other matters; and

(2) *International Congress on Social Work and Service, &c.*

(2) The Secretary of the International Congress on Social Work and Service, &c., inviting the appointment of delegates to attend a Congress, to be held at the University of London, South Kensington, from 30th May to 5th June next.

Communications allowed to lie on table.

The meeting agreed to allow these communications to lie on the table.

Rivers Pollution—Burgh of Airdrie.

With further reference to the action against the Town Council of Airdrie, the Clerk reported that Sheriff Lee had, on 17th February last, issued an Interlocutor, in which he repelled the whole objections stated on behalf of the Burgh, and required the defenders to abstain from polluting; but before fixing a time within which the Order must be complied with, he allowed the defenders four weeks within which to submit a scheme for the remedy of the pollution complained of.

Pollution of River Cart.—Deputation to Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk reported that, as appointed by the County Council, the chairman and he had taken part in a deputation which waited upon the Secretary for

Scotland on 19th ultimo in regard to the pollution of the River Cart, and he explained the attitude which they had taken up as representing the County Council of Lanark. The meeting approved.

Cream.—Buttercup Dairy Company.

The Clerk laid before the meeting information against the Buttercup Dairy Company, provision merchants, Main Street, Wishaw, in respect of their having sold cream, certified by the County Analyst to be not genuine, in respect that it contained 0·49 per cent. of boron preservative, stated as boric acid. The Clerk stated that as there existed at the present time no regulations in Scotland, as there were in England, restricting the use of preservatives in cream, there would be little hope of obtaining a conviction, and, in the circumstances, he could not advise a prosecution. The meeting concurred in this view.

Bleaching of flour.—Paper by Professor Moore and Dr. Wilson.

There was laid before the meeting a Paper by Professor Moore, of the University of Liverpool, and Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer, on the effects of nitrogen-peroxide on the constituents of flour in relation to the commercial practice of bleaching flour with that re-agent, and he stated that a copy of the Paper had been sent to each member of the committee.

As relative to this matter, the Clerk stated that he had recently observed in the public newspapers reference to a decision in the American Court, from which he inferred that there, as here, it would now be necessary to prove that the process of bleaching was injurious to health before a conviction could be obtained.

The Sale of Milk (Scotland) Regulations, 1914.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a circular letter from the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, of date 10th current, transmitting a copy of the Sale of Milk (Scotland) Regulations, 1914, amending the Sale of Milk Regulations, 1901, in so far as they relate to skimmed or separated milk to the extent of replacing the limit of 9 per cent. of total milk solids, on which under Article 3 of the Regulations a presumption that the milk is not genuine is based, by a limit of 8·7 per cent. of milk solids other than milk fat.

The Clerk stated that the want of such an amendment of the Regulations had been much felt in this County, and that the Regulations as they now stand were similar to those in force in England.

Resolutions of Royal Sanitary Institute in regard to proposed abolition of private slaughter-houses, and other matters.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter which he had received from the Secretary of the Royal Sanitary Institute, transmitting a copy of the current issue of the monthly journal of the institute, and directing the attention of the County Council to various resolutions in regard to the proposed abolition of private slaughter-houses, the need for consolidation of the health laws, and other matters.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

JANUARY, 1914.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

82 inspections and visits of inquiry were made, 22 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected:—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

SOURCES OF POLLUTION.	DATES OF POLLUTION.	NOTES OF INSPECTIONS.
	January	
Mossend Steel Works, -	22nd	* Surface drainage at superheaters.
Blantyre No. 1 Colliery, -	9th	* Wagon drip pond silted up.
Darngavil ,, -	8th	* Settling areas silted up.
Kepplehill ,, -	23rd	Distinct pollution.
Kirkwood ,, -	28th	* Settling areas defective.
Stane ,, -	7th, 8th, and 30th	Intermittent pollutions.
Cambuslang Dye Work. -	16th	Coloured pollution.

* Reported at Company's office.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Mossend Steel Works.—Trade operations were resumed at these works during the month, after being shut down for about two months. The pollution detected was slight, and was mainly due to surface drainage at the superheaters of the producer plant. Remedial measures are in progress to prevent this pollution.

Blantyre No. 1 Colliery.—The pollution detected here was not of a serious nature, but the Colliery Company's attention was drawn to it.

Darngavil Colliery.—No permanent improvement has been effected in the condition of the settling areas, and the matter has again been brought before the notice of the Company's manager, with a view to remedial measures previously agreed on being carried out as soon as possible.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—Further special inspections were made at these collieries along with the Chemist, and series of samples taken for analysis.

Kirkwood Colliery.—The pollution detected was again due to defects in final settling area. Remedial measures were, however, in progress at time of inspection.

Cambuslang Dye Works.—The works are situated within the Lower Ward area, and discharge the trade effluent direct to the River Clyde.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

7 inspections and inquiries were made in connection with sewage works and sewage outfalls. The following may be specially referred to :—

Bellshill—Hattonrigg Sewage Works.—The fourth series of six hours' average sampling of the crude, tank, and filter effluents was carried out on 20th January. The results of analysis will be found in the chemical laboratory portion of this report, while the following information has been received from the District Engineer :—

> "Total flow of sewage for the six hours' sampling was 102,520 gallons, or 45·57 gallons per day per head of the population draining to the works, and the filtration was at the rate of 164 gallons per cubic yard of filtering material."

Inspections were made at the sewage outfall at Thankerton in the Upper Ward, and at the Burgh of Hamilton Sewage Works. As noted in last month's report, the tanks at the latter works are being cleaned out.

Solid Matter Pollution.

Pollution of the Meikle Burn, a tributary of the Avon, by the depositing of ashes into it at Quarter No. 8 Colliery, was inquired into, and the attention of the manager for the United Collieries drawn to it, in writing.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollution 38 inspections and inquiries were made. The following may be specially referred to :—

South Calder.—Pollution of this stream by coal-dross washings was again traced to the collieries on the Blind Burn.

Tollcross Burn.—In connection with the proposal to discharge pit water from new collieries at Mount Vernon, a meeting was held on the ground with the General Manager and the Colliery Engineer to complete the arrangements for the position and size of tank to be provided for the treatment of the pit water before reaching the Tollcross Burn.

Shirrel Burn.—A series of samples was taken above and below Bellshill Sewage Works to ascertain the effect of the discharge from these works upon this stream—see "Chemical Laboratory."

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 29, and 24 samples, including 7 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these, 18 were analysed by the Public Analyst, and 6 in the chemical laboratory.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine case, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date Purchased.	Locality where Purchased.	Certified
4	Sweet Milk	16th Jan.	Harthill	Deficient in milk fat to the extent of 20 per cent. or thereby.

Of the informal samples, 3 of sweet milk were certified to be not genuine. One was received from Stonehouse Hospital and the others were received in connection with complaints regarding the milk supplied by retail dairymen. Arrangements will be made to procure formal samples from the defaulting vendors. The 2 samples of skimmed milk taken informally were certified to be genuine.

The samples of Demerara Sugar were certified to be genuine.

Essence of Coffee and Chicory.—The sample of coffee and chicory essence was certified to consist of sugar and the extract of coffee and chicory in the proportion of about 2·5 parts of chicory to 1 part of coffee. Although there is no standard for essence of coffee and chicory, it should be quite obvious, as stated in former reports, that if it contains chicory in excess of the coffee it cannot be held to be genuine. The Government of New Zealand have, by "Regulations," fixed a standard for essence of coffee and chicory, as follows, viz.:—"Coffee and chicory essence or extract shall be prepared from coffee and chicory, with or without other wholesome food stuffs, and shall contain not less than 50 parts per centum of coffee essence or extract." Further investigation will be made into the matter.

Whisky.—The 6 samples of whisky were certified to be genuine within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act. 4 of the samples were procured from vendors from whom informal samples had previously been taken and found to be deficient in proof spirit.

Margarine Contraventions.—No contraventions were detected during the month.

Shieldhill Creamery, Thankerton.—The warm and cold milk as delivered by the farmers to this creamery was sampled on the 28th January. A total of 79 samples were taken and analysed in the chemical laboratory.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration:—

Case No. 473.—A sample of skimmed milk, certified to be 5 per cent. deficient in milk solids, equal to an addition of 12 per cent. of water. This case came before Sheriff Scott Moncrieff in Glasgow on 14th January, when respondent pled not guilty, and called 5 witnesses to prove that the milk had not been tampered with. The Sheriff found the charge not proven. He said the evidence for the defence was in many respects very unsatisfactory, but he was not prepared to hold that the witnesses were not telling the truth when they said that the milk had not been tampered with. His view of recent decisions of the High Court of Justiciary was that, unless he disbelieved the statements of non-tampering, he must dismiss the complaint.

Case No. 526.—A sample of sweet milk, certified to be deficient in milk fat 8 per cent., and in milk solids other than fat 5 per cent. This case came before Sheriff Shennan, in Hamilton, on 23rd January, when respondent admitted the

offence, and an agent, on his behalf, made an explanation that respondent received a warranty daily, but that he had mislaid the warranty for the day on which the sample was purchased. He had only succeeded in obtaining a copy from the farmer on the previous day, and was thus precluded from founding upon the warranty. He alleged that the milk had been standing for half-an-hour, and that this would account for the deficiency. The Council's agent pointed out that, even if the milk had stood as stated, this circumstance could not have accounted for the deficiency in milk solids other than milk fat. The Sheriff remarked that the milk as supplied to the Inspector was that which a member of the public would have received on purchase, and that the respondent should have mixed the milk. His Lordship imposed a penalty of £2, with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment.

Case No. 536.—A sample of dripping certified to contain 40 per cent. of cottonseed oil. This case came before Sheriff Shennan, in Hamilton, on 30th January. The respondent pled guilty, and an agent, on his behalf, made an explanation, pointing out that this was only the second case for dripping in Scotland and the first in this district. He alleged that precautions had been taken by the respondent to prevent this substance from being sold as dripping. The Sheriff imposed a penalty of £2, which was paid.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analysis of 103 samples was completed during the month, 15 being under Rivers Pollution, 3 under Public Health, and 85 under Food and Drugs Acts.

Rivers Pollution.

Sewage Works.—4 samples from Bellshill Sewage Purification Works. The percentage degree of purification obtained amounted to 82 per cent. This is the highest purification obtained from tanks and continuous filters.

Trade Effluents.—Kepplehill Colliery, 1 sample; Stane Colliery, 3 samples.

Pit Waters.—Stane Colliery, 1 sample.

Streams.—Blind Burn, 4 samples; Shirrel Burn, 2 samples.

Public Health.

The following 3 samples of water:—Crawford (additional) supply; Woolford's Colliery, 2 samples (unfiltered and filtered).

Food and Drugs.

79 samples of milk from Thankerton Creamery—2 samples skim milk and 2 samples sweet milk found genuine, 1 sample sweet milk deficient in fat to the extent of 23 per cent., and 1 sample 7 per cent. deficient in fat and 12 per cent. deficient in solids not fat.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 540, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners, ...	252	Veterinary Surgeons. ...	37
Hospital Physicians, ...	195	Slaughter-house Staff, ...	1
Public Health Staff. ...	55		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens. and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

DIPHTHERIA SWABS—181.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P	+	o	P
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	1	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	10	28	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 54—	12	41	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	2	21	1	1	17	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	20	23	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total. 100—	23	46	7	1	17	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	20	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 27—	2	24	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

TYPHOID FEVER—39.

	Blood.							
	Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	2	11	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 20—	2	18	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle ,,	4	10	—	—	—	2	—	3
Lower ,,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 19—	4	10	—	—	—	2	—	3

10 blood specimens from 4 members of the Hospital Staff treated with typhoid vaccine, the details of which will be given in a future report.

TUBERCLE—150.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	2	16	—	—
Middle ,, ...	8	37	—	—
Lower ,, ...	1	3	—	—
Total, 67—	11	56	—	—
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	43	36	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 79—	43	36	—	—
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward.	—	—	—	—
Middle ,, ...	—	3	—	—
Lower ,, ...	—	1	—	—
Total, 4—	—	4	—	—

Miscellaneous Specimens—18.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—4 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff, 1 of which gave positive result.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—2 specimens received from Middle Ward medical practitioner, 1 of which gave positive result. 1 specimen received from Middle Ward hospital physician gave negative result.

Hairs for Ringworm.—1 specimen received from School Medical Staff in Middle Ward and 1 from Lower Ward gave negative results.

Wassermann Reaction for Syphilis.—4 specimens received from Middle Ward medical practitioners, 2 of which gave positive results. 5 specimens received from Middle Ward Hospital physician, 3 of which gave positive results.

Specimens from Animals—39.

Anthrax.—2 specimens of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Middle Ward and 1 from Upper Ward gave positive results.

Mange.—3 specimens from skin of ponies received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Upper Ward and 1 from Middle Ward gave negative results.

Tubercle.—1 specimen of liver received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house staff and 1 specimen of ox liver received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff gave negative results.

The following specimens, under the Tuberculosis Order, were received from County Veterinary Surgeon:—

Upper Ward, 2 specimens of mucus from cows, 1 of which gave positive result; 1 specimen of fæces from cow gave negative result.

Middle Ward, 1 specimen of mucus from cow gave positive result.

Lower Ward, 3 specimens of mucus from cows gave positive results.

Milk for Tubercle.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	3	3	2	—	5
Middle ,,	6	6	5	—	2
Lower ,,	—	5	4	—	—
Total, 23—	9	14	—	—	—

Specimens from Burgh Authorities and others—103.

Burgh.	Typhoid. +	Typhoid. o	Diphtheria. +	Diphtheria. o	Phthisis. +	Phthisis. o	Tubercle, other than Phthisis. +	Tubercle, other than Phthisis. o	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. +	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis. o	Other Specimens. +	Other Specimens. o
Hamilton, ...	—	3	8	9	2	10	—	—	—	—	—	4
Airdrie, ...	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge, ...	—	—	5	8†	2	7	—	1‡	—	—	5*	3*
Rutherglen ...	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	2
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1*	1
Motherwell, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	1	11	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 103—	3	4	14	31	12	22	—	1	—	—	6	10

* Hairs for Ringworm from School Medical Staff.

† Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.

‡ Milk.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	5	5	...	1
Coal-dross Washers, -	24	31	11	7
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	1	...	1
Paper Mills, - - -	...	...	...	...
Distillery, - - -	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	5	7	4	...
Streams, - - - -	18	38	7	...
Total, - -	53	82	22	9

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.								Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Cambuslang.	Calderoruix and Plains.	Chryston.	Harthill.	Larkhall.	Stonehouse Hospital.	Strathaven.	Burgh of Biggar.			
Sweet Milk, - -	...	...	1	3	...	1	6	1	12	12	4
Skimmed Milk, - -	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	2	2	...
Demerara Sugar, -	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Butter, - - -	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Coffee and Chicory, -	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Whisky, - - -	...	2	...	...	2	...	2	...	6	6	...
Total Samples in each Locality, -	3	2	1	5	2	1	9	1	24	24	4
Number of Shops, &c., Visited, -	8	5	...	4	5	...	7	...	29	...	...

Informal samples—sweet milk, 4; skimmed milk, 2; and Demerara sugar, 1.
Samples received privately—sweet milk, 4.

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 5*th February*, 1914.

APPENDIX II.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON MOTOR-CAR AND MOTOR-CYCLE ALLOWANCES TO MEDICAL OFFICERS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 25th February, 1914, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed to consider and report in regard to the question of allowances to Medical Officers of Health in respect of Motor-Cars and Motor-Cycles. 25th February, 1914.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld. | Robert Lambie.
James H. Fenton. | Joseph Sullivan.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, Chairman of the Sub-Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting*

The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit to the sub-committee as contained in the minutes of the Public Health Committee, of date 14th January, 1914, which was as follows :— *Remit.*

"The meeting, having proceeded to consider the question of the allowance to the County Medical Officer and Assistant Medical Officers, in respect of the use by them of motor-cars or motor-cycles, agreed, after discussion and on a vote, to appoint the following sub-committee to consider the whole question, and to report, viz. :—

J. Raeside Auld. Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan. Gavin A. Shanks.
James H. Fenton. Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.

Mr. Lambie to be chairman of the sub-committee, and three a quorum.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting information as to the Assistant Medical Officers who owned motor-cars and motor-cycles, and stated that, as a temporary arrangement and until the committee had disposed of the matter, Dr. Scroggie and Dr. Dick were being allowed 6d. per mile for the use of their cars, and Dr. Adam 2d. per mile for the use of his motor-cycle. *Information submitted as to Assistant Medical Officers who owned motor cars and motor cycles.*

The County Medical Officer submitted to the meeting statements by Dr. Scroggie and Dr. Dick, and also Dr. Adam, of the running cost for the period during which they had respectively used their motor-cars or cycles. *Statements showing running cost.*

The meeting, having discussed the matter, agreed to adjourn consideration, and meantime instructed the Clerk to endeavour to procure further information, which might assist the committee in dealing with the question. *Consideration adjourned.*

APPENDIX III.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON MOTOR CAR AND MOTOR CYCLE ALLOWANCES TO MEDICAL OFFICERS.

11th March, 1914

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 11th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed to consider and report in regard to the question of Allowances to Medical Officers of Health in respect of Motor Cars and Motor Cycles.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan. | Robert Lambie.
James H. Fenton. | Joseph Sullivan.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Chairman.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 25th February, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the sub-committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Motor cars and motor cycles.—Information as to allowances made by the Military Authorities and County of Durham.

The Clerk laid before the meeting additional information which he had received showing the allowances made by the Military Authorities, as well as by the County of Durham, who had had the matter recently under consideration, and he also submitted a letter from the Secretary of the Local Government Board, to whom he had written on the subject, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

Letter from Local Government Board.

"Local Government Board,
"Edinburgh, 10th March, 1914.

"Sir,

"SANITARY OFFICERS' GRANT.

"TUBERCULOSIS MAINTENANCE GRANT.

"In reply to your letter, dated 6th instant, I am directed to state that, for the purposes of the Sanitary Officers' Grant and the Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant, the Board have fixed the following maximum mileage rates in respect of motor cars and motor cycles privately owned by Medical Officers of Health and Sanitary Inspectors, and used by them in the discharge of their official duties, viz.:—

3d. a mile for motor cycles.
6d. a mile for motor cars.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "ARTHUR GRANT,
Assistant Secretary."

Recommendation of sub-committee

The meeting, having further discussed the matter, unanimously agreed to recommend that the following allowances be made, viz.:—

	Per Mile.
Motor cycle, ...	2d.
Motor car (with 2 or 3 seats), ...	4½d.
Motor car (with 4 or more seats), ...	6d.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Public Health Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 22nd April, 1914.

Present—

J. Raeside Auld.
A. H. J. Briggs.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
James Kelly.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James Prentice.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
David Thomson.
W. B. Thomson.
James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Dr, Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Mr. Lambie, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 11th March, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting a Report (Appendix I.) by the County Medical Officer of proceedings under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts and the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts for the month of February, 1914, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Report by County Medical Officer for February.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a Report (Appendix II.) by the County Medical Officer on the pollution of the North Calder by discharges from the print works and paper mills on its upper reaches, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Report by County Medical Officer on Pollution of North Calder by discharges from Print Works and Paper Mills.*

Letter from Messrs. Robert Craig & Sons, Ltd.

As relative to this Report, the Clerk submitted and read a letter whi he had received from Messrs. Robert Craig & Sons, Ltd., which was in t following terms, viz.:—

"Caldercruix Paper Mills, Caldercruix,
"Scotland, 12th March, 1914.

"Sir Thomas Munro,
"County Offices,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir,

"A short time ago we had a visit from your Inspecto Mr. MacNaughton, and at that time we informed him that we were proceedin further with the question of prevention of river pollution. We showed hi a report which had been drawn up at this mill for our own use, in which w indicated the various sources of pollution, and the method which we propose to adopt in dealing with each individual case. He asked us at that tim to forward to you a copy of this report, and I enclose herewith an abridge copy of same. In this report you will see that we have isolated nine or te different sources of possible pollution. Some of these are small and negligibl while, as you will see, we have already settled several of the remainder sati factorily. This would have been forwarded to you at an earlier date, but f the fact that our General Manager is now on a visit to America.

"With respect to the programme adjoined, you will understand that w cannot tackle all this work at one time, and we hope that the programm we have drawn up, and which we are now engaged upon, will be foun satisfactory to you.

"We may say that we have emptied the existing settling tanks, and a now engaged in emptying the sludge ponds, so that even at the present tim the question of pollution is being attended to, to the full extent of our plant.

"Yours faithfully,
"*For* ROBERT CRAIG & SONS, LTD.,
"GILBERT W. CLARK."

PREVENTION OF RIVER POLLUTION.

The following are the chief sources of pollution:—

(1) Lime grouts (from causticising plant).
(2) Bleach grouts (from preparation of bleach liquor, 1912).
(3) Clay and (3 a) alum refuse.
(4) Machine back water (fibre and clay).
(5) Wash water from breakers, *i.e.*, washing and breaking in of rags.
(6) Overflow from rag washers in boiling-house.
(7) General cleaning up of floors, &c.
(8) Spent liquor from boiling-house.
(9) Mud from dissolving tanks for soda ash at recovery plant.

Caldercruix Paper Mills,
12th March, 1914.

The Report referred to in the above communication is incorporated i the Report of the County Medical Officer.

The meeting, after discussion, agreed that the matter be continued fo further consideration.

Burgh of Airdrie.—Completed proposals for purification of sewage of Burgh.

With reference to the action raised against the Town Council of th Burgh of Airdrie, the Clerk laid before the meeting the completed proposal for the purification of the sewage of the Burgh, with relative plans, and stated that the Sheriff had allowed the County Council until 1st proximo t lodge objections.

The County Medical Officer stated that so far as could be judged on a first perusal of the Report and an examination of the plans the proposals seemed satisfactory, but that on certain points they seemed to call for some amendment.

The meeting agreed to remit to the Clerk and the County Medical Officer to carefully consider the whole scheme, and to take such action thereanent as they may consider advisable.

Rivers Pollution. — Kepplehill Coal Company, Limited.

The Clerk stated that the action against the Kepplehill Coal Company, Limited, was now in Court, and that in the Defences which the defenders had lodged there appeared nothing which called for special remark, and that answers thereto would be made in due course.

Representation by Coalmasters' Association.

With reference to this case, the Clerk stated that a representation had been made to him by the Coalmasters' Association against the institution of proceedings, and he had stated in reply that, having regard to the circumstances, the committee felt that they had no alternative but to take action. The meeting approved.

Rivers Pollution.—Baton Collieries.

In consequence of a complaint having been received of the pollution of the Currie Burn by coal-dross washings from the Baton Collieries, the Clerk stated that he had addressed a communication to the Company, and he submitted a reply, stating that additional plant was in course of being erected, which it was hoped would have the effect of preventing further pollution.

Rivers Pollution.—Hallside Colliery.

The Clerk further stated that a communication had also been sent to Messrs. James Dunlop & Co., Ltd., in consequence of a complaint received of pollution arising from their Hallside Colliery, and he submitted a letter from that Company, stating that the matter would receive attention, and containing an assurance that steps would be taken to remove any cause for complaint.

Sewage Purification Works.— Lesmahagow Special Drainage District.

The Clerk stated that at the meeting of the Public Health Committee, held on 4th October, 1911, there was submitted a communication from the County Medical Officer regarding purification works to be carried out in certain special districts in the County, and he now submitted a further letter from the County Medical Officer relating to the scheme proposed in connection with the Lesmahagow Special Drainage District, and suggesting that the District Committee should be communicated with with a view to a certain section of the works being pushed forward at once. The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to make a communication to the District Committee on the subject.

Pollution of stream at Auchintibbber, High Blantyre.—Greenblairs Farm.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. H. B. M'Kie, Erskine, Bishopton, relating to the pollution of a stream at Auchintibber, High Blantyre, in consequence of which it was alleged that the occupier of the farm of Greenblairs had some time ago lost several young cattle through their drinking of the polluted water of the stream in question. The Clerk explained that the sewage entering the stream came from houses which were not situated within any special drainage district, and he had replied that, in the circumstances, the duty of providing proper drainage facilities would seem to rest upon the owners of the houses referred to rather than on the Local Authority. The meeting approved.

Foodand Drugs.—Result of Prosecutions.

The Clerk submitted the following statement showing the results of prosecutions under the Food and Drugs Acts since the date of the last meeting of the committee, viz.:—

Name and Address of Accused.	Nature of Complaint.	Result of Prosecution.
William Wilson, Dairyman, Cowhill, Whitburn	Sweet milk. Deficient in milk fat, 20 per cent.	Convicted and fined £2 or 7 days.
Charles Burns, Dairykeeper, 18 Colebrooke Street, Cambuslang	Sweet milk. Deficient in milk fat, 17 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £2 or 10 days.
John M'Callum, Dairyman, Whitefield Dairy, Croft Road, Cambuslang	Sweet milk. Deficient in milk fat, 30 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £5 or 20 days.
Mrs. Elspeth Wilson, Wine and Spirit Merchant, Cross Roads Inn, East Kilbride	Whisky. Deficient in proof spirit, 2 per cent.	Pled guilty and fined £2 or 10 days.

William Wilson.—Stated Case.

With regard to the case of William Wilson, referred to in the above statement, the Clerk informed the meeting of the circumstances of the case, and stated that intimation had now been received from the respondent's Agents of their intention to proceed with a Stated Case. The Clerk was accordingly authorised to take such steps in connection therewith as may be considered necessary.

Sale of Milk (Scotland) Regulations, 1914.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed at last meeting, he had sent to each member of the committee a copy of the Sale of Milk (Scotland) Regulations, 1914, together with a copy of the circular letter from the Board of Agriculture relative thereto.

Letter from Secretary for Scotland on question of payment of expenses of members attending Congresses.

With reference to the question of the payment of the expenses of members of the County Council attending the Congresses, the Clerk stated that he had now received a reply from the Secretary for Scotland, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Scottish Office, Whitehall, S.W.,
"20th April, 1914.

"Sir,

"With reference to your letter of the 28th February last relative to the incurring of expenditure by the County Council of Lanarkshire in connection with the attendance of members as delegates at Congresses on matters relating to Local Government, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to state, for the information of the County Council, that he is unable, in dealing with an application under Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, for his approval of a proposed expenditure from the Equivalent Grant as being 'under a scheme of public utility,' to give a consent extending beyond the appropriation of the grant of the particular year; in other words, he cannot give a consent or approval which would involve the appropriation of the grant of a future year. Moreover, the purpose of any proposed expenditure would require to be exactly defined and its amount stated in applying for approval under the section.

"Mr. M'Kinnon Wood feels that the considerations just mentioned preclude the giving of a general sanction under Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the nature suggested in your letter, and he is disposed to think that the incurring of expenses in sending delegates to Congresses should have the express sanction of an Act of Parliament—just as the incurring of expenses in sending representatives to meetings of the Association of County Councils has such express

sanction under the County Councils Association (Scotland) Expenses Act, 1894. Pending legislation of this nature, it appears to him that the only method of procedure available under the existing law is to apply for his consent from time to time in terms of Section 2 (5) (*c*) of the Act of 1892 (as in the case of the International Roads Congress last year) to the incurring of expenditure within defined limits, in sending representatives to a specified Congress, the grounds upon which the attendance of County or District representatives at such Congress is regarded as a matter of public utility in the sense of the Statute being set forth in the application.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "JOHN LAMB.

"The County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

The meeting, after consideration, proceeded to appoint and appointed the following representatives to attend the Congresses aftermentioned:—

(1) Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute, to be held at Blackpool, 6th to 11th July, 1914—J. P. Baird, whom failing Gavin Hamilton, Robert Lambie, and J. Raeside Auld. *Royal Sanitary Institute.*

(2) Congress of the Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland, to be held at St. Andrews, 2nd to 5th September, 1914—James H. Fenton and Robert Lambie. *Incorporated Sanitary Association of Scotland.*

(3) National Conference on Infant Mortality, to be held at Liverpool, 2nd and 3rd July, 1914—Robert Lambie. *Infant Mortality.*

(4) Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption, to be held at Leeds, 7th and 8th July, 1914—David Thomson. *Prevention of Consumption.*

It was agreed that the County Clerk and the County Medical Officer should, if found convenient for them, also attend the above Congresses.

The Clerk was instructed to make application to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent to the payment out of the Equivalent Grant of the expenses involved in connection with the above appointments as "schemes of public utility." *Clerk instructed to make application to Secretary for Scotland for consent to payment of expenses.*

The meeting at the same time agreed that in transmitting a copy of the Secretary for Scotland's communication to the several District Committees intimations of the appointments made by the County Council should be given, so that the District Committees might, in making any additional appointments, have regard to those made by the County Council. *Copy of Secretary for Scotland's communication to be transmitted to District Committees.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the National Housing and Town Planning Council, inviting this County Council to appoint delegates to attend the conference to be held at Glasgow on 26th and 27th May next. *Conference of National Housing and Town Planning Council at Glasgow.*

The meeting, in respect that no expenses would be incurred in the attendance of members at this Congress beyond the annual subscription, agreed that such members of the committee as might find it convenient should attend the Congress.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to make payment of the usual annual subscription to the National Housing and Town Planning Council.

Memorandum and Statement relating to the appointments of Assistant Medical Officer of Health, and Tuberculosis Officers, and to allocation of salaries.

The Clerk reported that the Local Government Board and the several District Committees had now approved of the various appointments of Assistant Medical Officers of Health and Tuberculosis Officers, and he submitted a Memorandum and Statement (Appendices III. and IV.) containing particulars relating to the appointments and to the allocation of the salaries as between Tuberculosis work and other Public Health work.

Increases of salaries of Office Staff and Bacteriological Staff.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the County Medical Officer, suggesting increases in the salaries of the Office Staff and Bacteriological Laboratory Staff, as follows:—

Office Staff—		
Robert Gray, ...	£80	£10
Althol Williamson, ...	52	8
William J. Irons,...	20	10
Bacteriological Laboratory—		
Thomas Russell, ...	£35	£10
David Bruce, ...	20	10

The meeting approved of the increases of salary recommeded, and resolved accordingly, the increases to take effect as from and after 15th April, 1914.

Salaries of Inspectors under Rivers Pollution Acts, and Shops Acts, &c., Remit to Sub-Committee-

The question of granting increases to the Inspectors under the Rivers Pollution Acts and the Shops Acts, &c., and also the question of the allocation of the salaries as amongst the several accounts chargeable with such expense having been raised, the meeting appointed the following sub-committee to act along with a sub-committee appointed by the General Purposes Committee to consider the matter, and report, viz.:—

Colonel Buchanan.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Colonel King Stewart

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

MONTHLY REPORT BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER.

FEBRUARY, 1914.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS; THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS, &C.; ALSO, WORK DONE IN THE CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES.

RIVERS POLLUTION.

79 inspections were made, 22 samples taken (see Table II.), and the following trade pollutions detected :—

TABLE I.—TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Sources of Pollution.	Dates of Pollution.	Notes of Inspections.
Darngavil Colliery, - -	February 11th	*Effluent from settling area still polluting. Improvements almost complete.
Monkland Colliery, No. 4, -	5th	*Overflow at collecting well.
Stane Colliery, - - -	6th and 13th	Serious pollution.

* Reported at Company's office.

TRADE POLLUTIONS.

Darngavil Colliery.—Pollution was again detected at this colliery on 11th February. At this inspection the improvements on the settling areas promised some time ago were found to be nearing completion.

Monkland Colliery No. 4.—Owing to the steam being partly shut off the pump at the collecting well, a polluting discharge was allowed to reach the Brown Burn. The defect was at once remedied, and the coal washings discharged to the settling area.

Kepplehill and Stane Collieries.—Special inspections were made in connection with these collieries, and samples taken for analysis, in view of legal proceedings.

Baton Colliery.—Inspection was made of the remedial measures here in connection with serious pollutions previously reported, when it was found that the settling pond on the west side of the coal-washing plant was in course of being emptied, and that a start had been made with the erection of the special plant for the recovery of the very fine silt not taken up by the silt recovery.

Caldercruix Paper Mill.—Additional measures for prevention of pollution have been started here, and are expected to be completed in about three months' time. The nature of these measures will be referred to in a special report in course of preparation.

Sewage Pollution and Sewage Disposal.

Eleven inspections and inquiries were made in connection with sewage works and sewage outfalls. The following may be specially referred to:—

Burgh of Motherwell—Coursington Sewage Works.—These works were found in satisfactory working order, and the discharge from the filters clear, with a small amount of suspended matter.

Bellshill—Hattonrigg Sewage Works.—The fifth series of six hours' average sampling of the crude, tank, and filter effluents was carried out on 25th February. The analytical results again show a high percentage of purification—see "Chemical Laboratory."

Cambuslang—Threeneuk Sewage Works.—These works are in course of construction, and comprise three series of septic tanks and a series of eleven sludge areas. The works, designed by the Middle Ward District Engineer, show considerable advance and improvement in respect of the means provided for cleaning out tanks and dealing with sludge.

Inspections were also made at two small private installations at Netherburn, and at the Burgh of Hamilton Sewage Works, and Thankerton Sewage Outfall, in the Upper Ward.

Solid Matter Pollution.

A special inspection was made at Netherburn in connection with a complaint of alleged pollution of the Dalserf Burn, due to the encroachment of a colliery-refuse bing. A casual inspection was also made at New Lanark Mills, where special inspections were made in April of last year in connection with complaint of pollution of the River Clyde by solid matter.

The cause of complaint of pollution of the Meikle Burn, a tributary of the Avon, by solid matter from Quarter No. 8 Colliery, referred to in the report for January, has been removed.

Streams.

In connection with trade and sewage pollution 35 inspections and inquiries were made. The following may be specially referred to:—

South Calder.—Further pollution of this stream by coal-dross washings was again traced to the collieries on the Blind Burn.

North Calder.—The upper reach of this stream was found distinctly affected by discharges from Caldercruix Paper Mill and Glengowan Print Works. These sources of pollution will be specially reported on shortly.

FOOD AND DRUGS.

The visits made during the month amounted to 88, and 67 samples, including 19 informal samples, were procured (see Table III.). Of these samples 48 were analysed by the Public Analyst, 18 in the Chemical Laboratory, and 1 sample of machine-skimmed condensed milk was not analysed.

Information was lodged with the County Clerk in the following non-genuine cases, viz.:—

Reg. No.	Article.	Date Purchased.	Locality where Purchased.	Certified.
34	Cream, - -	9th Feb.,	Wishaw, -	Not genuine. ·49 per cent. of Boron Preservative.
38	Sweet milk, -	10th ,,	Cambuslang,	Deficient in milk fat to the extent of 17 per cent. or thereby.
40	,, ,, -	,, ,,	,,	Deficient in milk fat to the extent of 30 per cent. or thereby.
41	,, ,, -	12th ,,	Burnside, -	Deficient in milk fat to the extent of 5 per cent. or thereby.
73	,, ,, -	25th ,,	Cambuslang,	Deficient in milk fat to the extent of 5 per cent. or thereby.

Sample No. 73 (sweet milk) was taken on delivery from the wholesale dealer who supplied the small retailer from whom Sample No. 38 was procured.

Samples of sweet milk and skim milk, procured from a dairyman who was recently convicted for selling adulterated sweet milk and skim milk, as reported in the December monthly report, were, on analysis, certified to be genuine; but as the skim milk sample contained 2·11 per cent. of milk fat and 9·18 per cent. of milk solids other than fat, it is probable that this milk was being supplied to the public as sweet milk.

Condensed Milk.—Two samples of condensed milk were procured. One of them was full cream, and the other machine-skimmed. The latter was not analysed, and the former was certified to be genuine, and to contain 10·85 per cent. of milk fat.

Preserved Cream.—The sample of preserved cream was certified to contain 51·07 per cent. of milk fat and 5·29 per cent of milk solids other than fat, and 0·49 per cent. of Boron Preservative, and to be not genuine "in respect that it contains 0·49 per cent. of Boron Preservative, stated as boric acid, this being 0·24 per cent. in excess of the maximum proportion recommended for the season of the year in the report to the Local Government Board by Dr. J. M. Hamill on the use of preservatives in cream, 1909." The jar which contained this sample had a paper cover over the mouth, bearing the words, "Pure Fresh Cream," and inscribed at the bottom of the jar itself, in small letters, was the following notice:—"This cream contains a small quantity of Boron Preservative to prolong its sweetness."

The Public Health (Milk and Cream) Regulations, 1912, which only apply to England and Wales, restrict the use of preservatives to cream containing 35 per cent. or more, by weight, of milk fat. Only boric acid, borax

or a mixture of these substances, or hydrogen peroxide, are to be used, and, if used, declaration of the amount is to be made on the receptacle.

As aforementioned, information has been lodged with the County Clerk, and is to be brought before the Public Health Committee for consideration.

Fifteen of the butter samples were informal, 14 of them being procured by means of an agent. These latter samples were procured from two suspected shopkeepers, from whom the inspectors had experienced difficulty in obtaining proper samples. Samples were therefore procured on seven consecutive days, in order that the woman employed as an agent might establish herself as a customer and thus overcome the wariness of the shopkeepers. The samples were analysed in the Chemical Laboratory, and 12 of them were found to be margarine. The two remaining samples were certified to be genuine butter, and it is significant that these were the first samples purchased. Arrangements will be made to procure formal samples from these vendors, and results of analysis will be duly reported.

Essence of Coffee and Chicory.—The two samples of essence of coffee and chicory were procured from two large manufacturing grocery firms with branch shops throughout the county. Both samples were certified to be genuine, each containing about equal proportions of coffee and chicory.

Preserved Green Peas.—The two samples of preserved green peas were certified to contain respectively 0·41 and 0·70 grains of copper equal to 1·61 and 2·71 grains of sulphate of copper per lb. of drained peas. The glass bottle in which the former sample was contained bore the following notice printed in small letters:—"The colour of these peas is preserved by sulphate of copper, the smallest quantity possible being used to ensure finest quality"; while the tin in which the latter sample was contained had no such notice. Moreover, the 0·70 grains of copper contained in the latter sample is in excess of the maximum amount recommended by Dr. Tunicliffe, of the Departmental Committee which reported on the "Use of Preservatives and Colouring Matter in Foods," viz., 0·5 grains of metallic copper per lb., the presence of copper to be declared on the label. Further samples will be procured, and more inquiries made into the matter.

Sausage.—The sample of polony sausage was certified to be genuine, and to contain 0·06 per cent. of Boron Preservative, stated as boric acid, this being rather less than one-fourth of the proportion (0·25 per cent.) recommended as the maximum allowable in sausage in the report by Dr. MacFadden to the Local Government Board on "Preservatives in Meat and Foods packed in cans or glass."

Margarine Contraventions.—Fourteen offences were detected, viz., twelve cases of supplying margarine in plain wrappers on demand for butter by an agent, and two of exposing margarine for sale without the statutory label and having no margarine wrappers. Verbal cautions were given, and arrangements will be made to procure samples by means of agents from the offenders.

Shieldhill Creamery, Thankerton.—The warm and cold milk, as delivered by the farmers to this creamery, was sampled on 18th February. A total of 75 samples were taken and analysed in the Chemical Laboratory. One of the samples of evening milk was found to be below the standard of 3 per cent. of fat. The average figures for fat and non-fatty solids of the samples taken at this creamery in September, 1913, and January and February of the current year, are as follows:—

	Fat.		Non-Fatty Solids.	
	Morning.	Evening.	Morning.	Evening.
9th September, 1913, - -	3·89	3·98	9·06	9·06
28th January, 1914, - -	3·69	3·76	9·46	9·53
18th February, 1914, - -	3·67	3·65	9·45	9·45

Complaint of Contaminated Milk-supply.—In the report for April, 1913, reference is made to a complaint, made by Dalziel Co-operative Society, Limited, Motherwell, with regard to badly-tasted milk being received from a farmer in the County, and where the source of contamination was traced to the milk of a single cow which had suffered from a diseased udder. On 21st February a similar complaint was received from the same Co-operative Society relating, however, to the supply from a different farm in the Middle Ward. This complaint was immediately inquired into by one of the Inspectors. In the course of his inquiries 28 samples of milk, including samples from all the cows in the herd, were procured for examination. After these had been twice examined for odour and taste by the Inspector, with the result that the milk from one of the cows was found to be badly tasted, 13 of them were handed to the Bacteriologist, who found that the one with the objectionable taste contained large numbers of streptococci. Samples of the milk complained of, obtained from the Society's dairy, were also found to be slightly tainted, and to contain streptococci. The sale for human food of the milk from the individual cow was, therefore, immediately stopped, and the source of contamination thus removed. Subsequently, samples of the milk from each quarter of the udder of the affected animal were taken and examined in the bacteriological laboratory. This examination showed that the milk from the hind quarters only was abnormal. See also page 7.

Legal Proceedings.—The following notes refer to cases in which, as previously reported, legal proceedings were taken or were under consideration:—

Case No. 518.—A sample of margarine supplied as butter. As the vendor of this sample procured supplies from the respondent in Cases No. 566 and 567, legal proceedings were not taken.

Cases Nos. 566 *and* 567.—Samples of margarine supplied as salt and fresh butter respectively. These samples were taken in course of delivery to the vendor of Sample No. 518, reported in November. These cases were heard before Sheriff Shennan, in Hamilton, on 3rd February, and in each complaint was charged three offences, viz.:—(1) selling margarine for butter; (2) failing to have packages of margarine properly branded; (3) despatching the material by a public conveyance without consigning the same as margarine. The respondent appeared, and admitted that he had sold the material as butter. The Sheriff characterised the proceedings of the respondent as a swindle, and imposed a penalty of £20, to cover both cases, with the alternative of 60 days' imprisonment. The respondent was allowed 14 days to make payment.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

The analyses of 141 samples were completed during the month, 25 being under *Rivers Pollution*, 6 under *Public Health*, and 79 under *Food and Drugs*. The remaining 31 were special samples.

Rivers Pollution.

Sewage Works.—Bellshill Sewage Works, 5 samples, consisting of crude sewage, septic tank effluent, settling-well effluent, filter channel and filter effluent. The results showed a percentage purification of 81 per cent. Strathaven—3 samples from sewer in Kirk Street, together with 1 sample of drainage from Strathaven Slaughter-house, were examined for physical character only.

Coal Washers.—Stane Colliery outfall, 6 samples.

Pit Waters.—One sample from Stane Colliery.

Streams.—Blind Burn, 6 samples; Shirrel Burn, 2 samples. One sample of road washings, from road at Gilbertfield, Cambuslang, was specially examined for phenoloid substances, and found to contain 140 parts per 100,000 of phenol.

Public Health.

One sample of water from Cuningar Farm, Old Farme, Rutherglen; 1 sample of water (proposed new supply), Hardington Mains Farm, Lamington; 4 samples from Glasford Clean-water Tank.

Food and Drugs.

Milk, 3 samples; all genuine. Butter, 1 sample; certified to be margarine. Thankerton Creamery, 75 samples of milk, one of which was found to contain 2·9 per cent. of butter fat.

Special.

Glasford Clean-Water Tank.—31 daily samples, for colour and alkalinity only.

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

The specimens examined and reported upon amounted to 528, and might be classified according to the *persons sending the specimens*, as follows:—

Medical Practitioners, ...	220	Veterinary Surgeons, ...	29
Hospital Physicians, ...	188	Slaughter-house Staff, ...	3
Public Health Staff, ...	88		

The administrative sources from which the specimens came, the nature of the specimens, and the results of examination are briefly summarised in the following tables:—

Diphtheria Swabs—172.

	Throat.			Nose.			School.			Contact.		
	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	p	+	o	p
Medical Practitioners—												
Upper Ward,	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	12	22	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Lower Ward,	—	3*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 45—	14	29	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Hospital Physicians—												
Upper Ward,	4	17	2	2	16	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	18	25	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 94—	22	42	6	2	17	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—												
Upper Ward,	1	19	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 33—	1	24	1	1	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—

* Includes 1 from School Medical Staff.

TYPHOID FEVER—44.

	Blood. Widal.		Culture.		Fæces.		Urine.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—								
Upper Ward,	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	5	12	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 18—	5	13	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hospital Physicians—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 1—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public Health Staff—								
Upper Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward,	1	23	—	—	—	1	—	—
Lower Ward,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 25—	1	23	—	—	—	1	—	—

3 blood specimens from 1 member of the Hospital Staff treated with typhoid vaccine the details of which will be given in a future report.

TUBERCLE—156.

	Sputa.		Miscellaneous.	
	+	o	+	o
Medical Practitioners—				
Upper Ward, ...	1	13	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	5	38	—	1*
Lower Ward, ...	1	2	—	—
Total, 61—	7	53	—	1
Hospital Physicians—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	39	43	—	4†
Lower Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Total, 86—	39	43	—	4
Public Health Staff—				
Upper Ward, ...	—	2	—	—
Middle Ward, ...	—	—	—	—
Lower Ward, ...	2	5	—	—
Total, 9—	2	7	—	—

* Pus. † Urines.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIMENS—14.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.—5 specimens received from Middle Ward Public Health Staff, 1 of which gave positive result. 1 specimen received from Lower Ward Public Health Staff gave negative result.

Pathogenic micro-organisms.—2 specimens received from Upper Ward medical practitioner, and 1 from Middle Ward, gave negative results.

Wassermann Reaction for Syphilis.—1 specimen received from Middle Ward medical practitioner gave negative result; 4 specimens from Middle Ward Hospital Physician, 3 of which gave positive results.

SPECIMENS FROM ANIMALS—47.

Anthrax.—2 specimens of blood received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Lower Ward, 1 from Upper Ward, and 1 from Middle Ward, gave positive results.

Actinomycosis.—1 specimen of palate of ox received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave positive result.

Deleterious Micro-organisms.—In connection with the complaint of contaminated milk coming from a farm in the Middle Ward, which is referred to at the top of page 5, thirteen of the samples taken by the Inspector were examined, and five found to contain numerous streptococci. 6 of the samples were from individual cows, and 2 were of the mixed milk of the herd. On examination, the sample from one cow, together with the mixed milk samples, were found to be tainted, and in smear preparations showed numerous streptococci. 4 samples were received on the following day from the four quarters of udder of the above-mentioned cow. Numerous streptococci were found in the samples taken from the two hind quarters. 1 sample of mixed milk was obtained from another dairy as a control. The streptococci were isolated in pure culture, and found to resemble the germ described by Nocard as the Streptococcus Mastitidis. This organism was tested by adding it to samples of fresh milk, which were afterwards found to have the unpleasant taste complained of.

Melanosis.—1 specimen of lung, liver, heart, spinal cord, and gland from cow, received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff, gave positive result.

Tubercle.—1 specimen of lung of sheep, received from County Veterinary Surgeon in Upper Ward gave negative result. 1 specimen of udder of cow, received from Middle Ward Slaughter-house Staff gave positive result. 2 milk-straining cloths, received from Public Health Staff in Upper Ward, gave negative results.

The following specimens, under the Tuberculosis Order, were received from County Veterinary Surgeon :—

Upper Ward, 3 specimens of mucus from cows, 2 of which gave positive results.

Middle Ward, 2 specimens of mucus from cows gave positive results.

Lower Ward, 1 specimen of mucus from cow gave positive result.

MILK FOR TUBERCLE.

	Smears.		Biological Tests. Commenced.	Completed.	
	+	o		+	o
Upper Ward,	1	7	4	—	2
Middle Ward,	5	1	—	—	4
Lower Ward,	—	4	3	1	3
Total, 18—	6	12	—	—	—

SPECIMENS FROM BURGH AUTHORITIES AND OTHERS—92.

Burgh.	Typhoid.		Diphtheria.		Phthisis.		Tubercle other than Phthisis.		Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.		Venereal Disease.		Ringworm.		Other Specimens.	
	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o	+	o
Hamilton,	—	1	1	5	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	1	3
Airdrie, ...	1	2	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Coatbridge,	—	—	5	—	—	8	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1
Rutherglen,	—	1	2	—	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—
Kirkintilloch,	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wishaw, ...	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motherwell,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanark, ...	—	—	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	2	—	—
Biggar, ...	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others, ...	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total, 92—	1	5	8	7	8	34	—	2	—	—	—	2†	12*	8*	1	4

* From School Medical Staff.
† Wassermann Test.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACTS.

TABLE II.—SOURCES OF POLLUTION.—INSPECTIONS AND POLLUTIONS DETECTED.

Sources of Pollution.		Inspections.	Samples.	Pollutions Detected.
Nature.	Number.	Number.	Number.	
Ammoniacal Works, -	3	3	...	...
Coal-dross Washers, -	21	27	8	4
Print and Dye Works, &c.,	1	1	...	1
Paper Mills, - - -	2	2	...	1
Distillery,	...	...	...	...
Sewage Works and Outfalls,	11	11	6	...
Streams, - - - -	20	35	8	...
Total, - - -	58	79	22	6

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

TABLE III.—ARTICLES PURCHASED OR RECEIVED FOR EXAMINATION, TOWN OR LOCALITY WHERE OBTAINED, AND NUMBER OF SAMPLES ANALYSED.

Articles Purchased.	Town or Locality where obtained.												Total Samples Purchased, &c.	Total Samples of each Article Analysed.	Samples Adulterated.
	Baillieston.	Bellshill.	Caldercruix.	Cambuslang.	Chryston, Muirhead, and Garnkirk.	Farme and Burnside.	Glenboig, Garnqueen, and Gartcosh.	Larkhall.	Millerston and Riddrie.	New Lanark.	Thankerton.	Burgh of Wishaw.			
Sweet Milk,	...	1	1	12	5	1	...	1	...	3	...	3	27	27	4
Skimmed Milk,	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Condensed Milk,	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...
Preserved Cream,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1
Butter,	...	1	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	17	17	13
Fresh Butter,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Cheddar Cheese,	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Dripping,	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...
Coffee,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Essence of Coffee and Chicory,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...
Demerara Sugar,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Preserved Green Peas,	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	2	...
Polony Sausage,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...
Whisky,	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	5	5	...
Total Samples in each Locality,	5	7	1	27	6	1	3	1	...	4	1	11	67	66	18
Number of Shops, &c. Visited,	12	7	...	30	8	3	6	...	3	3	...	16	88	...	...

Margarine Contraventions—Bellshill, 1; Garnqueen, 1; Cambuslang, 12.
Informal Samples—Sweet milk, 3; condensed milk, 1; butter, 15.
Informal Samples procured by means of an agent—Butter, 14.
Samples taken in course of delivery—Sweet milk, 1; skimmed milk, 1.
,, received privately—Sweet milk, 1; skimmed milk, 1.

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *9th March*, 1914.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

RIVERS POLLUTION PREVENTION.

REPORT ON THE POLLUTION OF THE NORTH CALDER BY DISCHARGES FROM THE PRINT WORKS AND PAPER MILLS ON ITS UPPER REACHES.

In terms of the instructions contained in the minutes of the Public Health Committee, of 14th May, 1913, the following report is submitted relating to the pollution of the North Calder arising from—

(1) Glengowan Print Works.
(2) Caldercruix Paper Mills.
(3) Moffat Paper Mills.

These three sources of pollution are situated on the upper reaches of the North Calder, in the Parishes of New Monkland and Shotts.

With the view of placing before the committee a full statement of the present position of matters, it may be stated that this report relates to (1) the measures provided for preventing pollution at each of the works, (2) the general condition of the stream in question, and (3) the action taken under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts.

I. Measures Provided for Preventing Pollution.

For the prevention of pollution measures are provided at each work, all of which have involved a very large capital and annual upkeep expenditure. In all, the capital sums expended by the owners amount to about £8,000, while the annual upkeep is about £1,400. It must also be kept in mind that the three works form the chief industrial interests of the districts in which they are situated. By way of illustrating the financial burden upon the owners in providing remedial measures, the cost of maintenance has been worked out in each case in relation to the assessable valuation for 1913-1914, and is found to equal a rate varying from 4s. 4d. to 9s. 7d. per £.

Glengowan Print Works.—These works had their origin in a silk-bleaching, dyeing, and print work prior to 1874, since then cotton-bleaching, dyeing, and printing have been carried on by the present firm. The total volume of waste liquid from the trade processes amounts to 750,000 gallons per day. This drainage passes through a precipitation pond, where it comes into contact with sulphate of alumina. It afterwards receives the addition of waste alkali, and passes into a series of nine settling ponds, having a total capacity of 640,000 gallons. The treatment of the effluent is under the control of their own chemists, and a careful record is kept of the daily condition of the discharge as entering the stream.

The remedial measures in use here have been provided progressively, as follows:—

Prior to 1889—3 large Settling Ponds,
1895—6 „ „ „ } Total capacity, 640,000 gallons.
1907—1 Precipitation Pond and a New Drainage System.

The capital expenditure involved in these measures amounts to £2,000, and the annual upkeep £400, which equals a rate of 8s. per £ on the assessable valuation of the works, allowing for interest and repayment of capital on the basis laid down for sewage purification works. With regard to the effectiveness of the preventive measures, analyses show that a reduction of suspended solids is effected to the extent of from 60 to 75 per cent. There is also reduction in colour. At the same time, the effluent appears to have a deleterous effect on the stream, probably due to dissolved colouring or other chemical matter. Yet it is difficult to suggest any further practicable and reasonably available remedial measures to obviate this.

In 1907, the Company carried out measures, following upon pressure by the County Council and also by the agents for a riparian proprietor, but since the members of the Committee inspected the works in June, 1911, the position of matters is unchanged.

Caldercruix Paper Mills.—These mills were established prior to 1868. According to evidence given by the owner before a Royal Commission on Rivers Pollution at that time, the total flow of effluent did not then exceed 20,000 gallons per day. At the present time the total flow is equal to about 1½ million gallons per day. The trade processes are boiling and washing of rags, the breaking and bleaching of them into half pulp, and, finally, the beating of them into fine pulp, which is conveyed to the paper-making machines. To deal with the large quantity of waste liquid arising from these processes presents no small problem, and the owners have endeavoured to handle it as far as cost and other circumstances permitted. They have therefore proceeded with remedial measures progressively, thus:—

1895—8 settling ponds and 2 sludge areas.
1906—Caustic soda recovery plant.
1912—Vacuum filter dealing with waste.
1913—Bleach recovery plant.

The capital expenditure involved in these measures amounts to £3,600. The annual cost may be stated at £700, allowing for recoverable products. This figure equals a rate of 9s. 7d. per £ on the assessable rental of the mills, inclusive of interest and repayment of capital on the basis laid down for sewage purification works.

The means adopted for the treatment of the waste liquids from the breakers and the machines consist of eight settling ponds. These have a total capacity of about 192,000 gallons, and are only cleaned out at intervals. If they are permitted to remain in use when full of sludge, the effluent may carry with it large quantities of fibrous matter, and thus cause serious pollution. To obviate this, and in order to deal with other minor sources of pollution from the mills, the Company have arranged to adopt additional measures. These are described in the following statement received by Sir Thomas Munro,

County Clerk, on 12th March. This statement also refers to the existing remedial measures, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF SOURCES OF POLLUTION DEALT WITH, AND PROPOSALS FOR DEALING WITH SOURCES STILL AFFECTING THE STREAM.

(1) *Lime Grouts.*—Formerly the lime grouts resulting from the manufacture of caustic soda at this mill was allowed to flow into the existing settling tanks, which were periodically allowed to overflow into the existing sludge ponds, and carried to waste. About a year ago, however, a vacuum filtering plant was installed. The present procedure is that the lime grouts are allowed to flow into a small tank, the under side of which is connected to a vacuum pump. A vacuum is formed under the grouts, with the result that the weak caustic liquor is extracted, leaving a carbonate of lime in a more or less dry state. This dry carbonate of lime is now emptied into a waggon and carted to waste. The weak liquor is taken back and re-used in the mill.

This source of pollution has been entirely removed.

(2) *Bleach Grouts.*—The grouts resulting from the manufacture of bleach at this mill was formerly allowed to run to the settling tanks and sludge ponds, as mentioned for the lime grouts above. At the present time these bleach grouts are allowed to run into a waggon, in which they are allowed to settle. The liquor is then decanted off, and re-used, while the sludge is carried to waste.

The question is under consideration whether it would not be possible to treat these bleach grouts similarly to the present method employed of treating the lime grouts, but in any case this source of pollution has been removed.

(3) *Clay Mud.*—Clay is brought to this mill in a dry state, and is mixed with water to a certain consistency. A certain amount of sediment settles out during this mixing process, with the result that the mixing tanks are cleaned out once a week. This sediment consists chiefly of sand, and as the quantity is very small, it is negligible. If found necessary, this sediment could be carried to waste.

(3A) *Alum Refuse.*—Alum cake is brought to this mill, and dissolved, with the result that a certain amount of sediment is obtained. These dissolving tanks are cleaned out periodically, and the refuse carted to waste.

This source of pollution is now removed.

(4) *Machine Back-Water.*—At the present time the back-water from the machines, containing fine fibre and clay, flows to the existing settling tanks, which are emptied at intervals into existing sludge ponds. Since the improvement in the method of treating lime and bleach grouts was effected, these settling tanks take several months to fill up. It is proposed to treat this fibre, if necessary, at three different points :—

(*a*) By the introduction of settling tanks in the mill, 1 tank for each paper machine. In these settling tanks, which are of special construction, the bulk of the fibre and clay would be removed, leaving a fairly pure back-water.

(*b*) The exact procedure for eliminating the remaining fibre contained in the flow-over from these tanks cannot be definitely stated until such time as these tanks have been tested, but the introduction of a revolving save-all to treat the overflow would be found absolutely satisfactory.

(*c*) In the event, however, of there still being too much sediment in the water, the existing settling tanks would be altered into a type suitable for working in conjunction with an Allen Filter-press.

(5) *Wash-water* from the breakers, used in preparing the rag stuff, flows to the existing settling tanks.

(6) *Overflow from the Rag-Washers in the Rag-Boiling House.*—This flows into the burn, after flowing through a small settling-pond.

(7) *General Cleaning-up of Floors, &c.*

It is proposed to treat sources 5, 6, and 7 together. This effluent is to be led to a filter-bed, of sufficient area to treat the quantity of water, and the matter in suspension will thus be eliminated. These filters will be in duplicate, with the result that it will be possible to clean them at regular intervals. The fibre, &c., retained by the filters will either be carted to waste or burned.

(8) As you are aware, in connection with our treatment of rags a large quantity of caustic soda is employed. At one time this was allowed to discharge into the river, but several years ago a recovery plant was installed, with the result that this source of pollution was practically entirely removed. At rare intervals, however, rags are occasionally treated with lime, and as this is a rare occurrence it is proposed that the spent liquor from this lime boiling will be treated as in the case of sources Nos. 5, 6, and 7.

(9) *Mud from Dissolving-Tanks in connection with the Soda Recovery Plant.*

In the ordinary working of the soda recovery plant installed at this mill, soda is recovered in the form of soda ash. This soda ash must be dissolved in hot water, with the result that a certain amount of sediment settles out. This sediment is largely carbon, and the quantity is not great. The dissolving-tanks are cleaned out once a fortnight, and if necessary a small filter can be installed to keep back the most of the matter in suspension.

Method of Procedure.—From consideration of the above, it will be noticed that the chief sources of existing pollution are thus enumerated under 4, 5, and 6. We may say that the arrangements are practically completed for dealing with source No. 6, *i.e.*, the overflow from the rag-washers, and it is expected that within a few days this source of pollution will be eliminated. When this work is completed, attention will then be given to source No. 5, *i.e.*, the overflow from the breakers in the mill, and we expect that this should be completed in a few weeks' time. Upon this being accomplished, attention will then be given to the source of pollution No. 4, *i.e.*, to the removal of the fibre and clay contained in the back-water from the machines.

It may be noted that the special plants proposed to be adopted for dealing with particular sources of pollution are well known, and, where in use, are also known to work satisfactorily. The new measures proposed for source No. 6 are now in progress of being carried out, but it will be some time before the whole measures are completed.

Moffat Paper Mills.—These mills were also established prior to 1868, in which year their valuation was £300. At present it is £1,100. Within the last ten years considerable extensions have been made to buildings and plant. The raw material chiefly used is wood pulp, which is subjected to the process of washing and breaking. The flow of liquid waste averages 700,000 gallons per day, which is dealt with in a series of thirty-one settling tanks, having a total capacity of 260,000 gallons. Thirteen of these tanks occupy a space inside the works, and are connected with a sludge well and two filter presses, where waste pulp is recovered for re-use. The remainder of the tanks (18 in number) were constructed during 1913, and are situated outside the mills alongside the river. They are connected with a very large sludge area, into which the solids, settled out in the tanks, are pumped at least once every week, in order to keep the tanks in good working order.

The remedial measures have been provided progressively, thus :—

Prior to 1900—1 settling pond and ash track (now disused).

1903—13 settling tanks, with sludge pits, &c., and 2 filter presses.

1913—18 settling tanks, with large sludge area.

The capital expenditure for these measures is estimated at £1,900. The annual cost may be estimated at £235, which equals a rate of 4s. 4d. per £ on the assessable valuation of the mills, inclusive of interest and repayment of capital, on the basis laid down for sewage purification works.

In order to ascertain the effectiveness of the new tanks provided in 1913, a six hours' average sampling of the effluent as entering the ponds and as discharging from them was carried out, along with the chemist, on 11th September last. The analyses show a reduction of 93 per cent. in the suspended solids, and an equally corresponding improvement in the chemical composition of the effluent. The effect of the discharge in the stream on the day of sampling was almost negligible. Subsequent inspections have also shown similar results.

The present position at each work may be summarised thus :—At Glengowan Print Work there has been no change in remedial measures since 1907. The present treatment of the waste liquor is extensive, and very costly. At Caldercruix Paper Mills additional measures have been arranged, and a start has been made with them, while the existing settling ponds have been cleaned out since last meeting of committee. It is, however, perhaps for the committee to consider whether the owners should be called upon to give an undertaking to complete the new measures within a specified time. At Moffat Mills a series of 18 settling tanks were completed last year, and are at present in operation, with satisfactory results.

II. General Condition of the Stream.

With regard to the general condition of the stream, the records in the monthly reports show evidence of pollution from time to time. No special sampling has, however, been done since 29th May and 11th September last, but arrangements will be made for further special sampling and analyses at an early date. As regards the sampling on 29th May last, the analyses show that the effluent from the three works had a deleterious effect on the stream. Thus, the effluent from the print work was of a polluting nature, which appeared to be due to dissolved colouring or other chemical matter, while the effluents from the two mills was of a polluting nature largely due to suspended solids. This goes to bear out the difference to be expected between the effluent from a print work and that from paper mills. In a print work large quantities of dyes of all kinds are used, with mordaunts, oils, soaps, and chemicals. In paper mills, however, there are large quantities of fibrous or pulpy matter, and only very small quantities of dyes are used. The worst colour is geranium—a bright-red colour which changes the whole aspect of the stream into which it enters. This occurs three or four times in the year at Caldercruix and Moffat Mills. Most other colouring material at the mills is readily precipitated, and settles out with the suspended solids.

III. Action taken under the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts.

No serious attempt appears to have been made to deal with the question of pollution, until 1889, when inquiries and inspections were made by the Rivers Inspector for Scotland, at the instigation of the then Secretary for Scotland. In his report the Inspector referred to pollution, and detailed a number of recommendations for its abatement. Subsequently, in 1892, the District Committee of the Middle Ward made application to the Secretary for Scotland for his consent to institute, in terms of Section 6, legal proceedings against the owners of the three works for causing continued pollution. All this resulted in the adoption of certain remedial measures, which appear to have been completed in 1895. It was stated at that time that the pollution from the paper mills had been going on for upwards of 40 years—a period which may have suggested a prescriptive right to pollute. Fortunately, this cannot be set up as a bar to proceedings under the Rivers Pollution Act, 1876.

Since the County Council undertook the administration of the Acts, in 1895, further serious consideration has been given to the question of the pollution of the stream, which has been the subject of many complaints, particularly when it was of a deep-red colour. Besides, the matter has been specially brought to the notice of the present Royal Commission dealing with the treatment of trade waste, &c. Evidence was given by Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk, and myself, in January, 1910, and the Commission thereafter, on 1st and 2nd April, visited the works.

In regard to the position relating to coloured pollutions, generally speaking, it has been found difficult to deal with them, the definition clause (20) of the Act stating that the word *Polluting* "shall not include innocuous discoloration." The evidence given before the Commission above-mentioned shows that the question of innocuous discoloration was fully referred to, and liberty is here taken to quote the following statement then made by the County Clerk, viz. :— "*This is a question for experts, but it seems that from the legal point of view the saving in Section* 20 *of the Act of* 1876 *makes it exceedingly difficult to deal with a pollution a characteristic of which is discoloration. The fact of discoloration being present seems to imply the inference that the effluent is harmless, and to throw an undue burden of proof on the prosecutor. From the practical point of view, also, my experience has been that a highly discoloured liquid introduced into a stream, however harmless its chemical properties may be, is looked upon by the public as a very real and serious offence.*"

On 17th July, 1913, a communication was received from the Secretary of the Commission on the question of standards for suspended solids in trade waste. As this communication and the subsequent correspondence have some bearing on pollution from print, dye, and paper works, it is printed as an appendix to this report.

J.T.W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 7th April, 1914.

[*Appendix referred to.*]

COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY OF ROYAL COMMISSION ON SEWAGE DISPOSAL, AND REPLY BY COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER.

Royal Commission on Sewage Disposal,
3 Queen Anne's Gate,
Westminster, S.W., 16th July, 1913.

Dear Sir,

The Commission are considering the advisability of recommending a general standard for suspended solids in trade wastes, but, before making any recommendation, they desire to ascertain your views on the subject, more particularly in regard to the precise limit which might properly be fixed.

I am directed to ask if you would be good enough to state what figures for suspended matter (in parts per 100,000) you would consider reasonable and practicable, the sample being kept for 48 hours at laboratory temperature before analysis.

If you are able to suggest such a limit, the Commission would be glad if you could supply them with figures showing, as regards the

several trades, that, given efficient plant, it is practicable for manufacturers to comply uniformly with the standard.

The Commission would be very glad if you could give them this information, if possible, in the course of a few days.

Yours faithfully,

R. H. KEENLEYSIDE,
Secretary.

Dr. J. T. Wilson,
County Medical Officer of Health,
County Offices,
Hamilton,
Lanark.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 19th July, 1913.

Dear Sir,

I duly received yours of 16th instant, regarding a general standard for suspended solids in trade wastes, and beg to make the following observations:—

The trade wastes referred to would probably include paper mills, print works, and bleach and dye works, but I am not sure that you wish me to refer also to coal dross washings, where the suspended solids are often very considerable, and yet they are more easily dealt with than any other form of trade waste. Dealing with the former class of waste liquors, I have obtained from the staff a tabular statement of the more important samples taken, and find that from paper mills the amount of suspended solids varies considerably, but has reached as high as 89 parts per 100,000. We find that where there is an efficient series of settling ponds the amount of suspended solids can be reduced to 5 parts per 100,000, or less. The amount of suspended solids in print works, where they have a considerable settling area, has never exceeded 6 parts per 100,000, and generally varies from 3 to 4 parts per 100,000. At bleach and dye works, where they use precipitants, we have sometimes got as high as 23 parts per 100,000 in the effluent, but we believe here it can also be reduced by proper treatment to 5 parts per 100,000. We would therefore consider it reasonable and practicable to suggest 5 parts per 100,000 as a standard.

Regarding coal dross washings, of which we have had considerable experience, we would suggest 10 parts per 100,000 as a reasonable and practicable standard.

You will remember that pit water, as raised from the mine, frequently contains large quantities of suspended solids, which can be readily purified by sedimentation. The Commission might make some recommendation with regard to this.

We have been looking forward to some guidance from the Commission with regard to coloured discharges. Perhaps you would kindly let me know whether there is to be a report issued on this subject shortly.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

JOHN T. WILSON.

The Secretary,
Royal Commission on Sewage Disposal,
3 Queen Anne's Gate,
Westminster, London, S.W.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUSPENDED SOLIDS IN TRADE WASTE LIQUORS, REFERRED TO IN LETTER TO SECRETARY TO ROYAL COMMISSION ON SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

PERIOD.	RESULTS, PARTS PER 100,000.			
	Moffat Paper Mill.	Caldercruix Paper Mill.	Glengowan Print Work.	Avonbank Bleach and Dyework.
1900, - - -	11·8	...	3·6	...
1901, - -	...	...	...	...
1902, - - -	5·3	...	...	...
1903, - - -	...	56·2	3·3	...
1904, - - -	11·5	66·8	3·5	...
1905, - - -	22·6	54·0	3·6	...
1906, - - -	6·0	...	3·0	...
1907, - - -	...	...	4·4	...
1909, - - -	...	89·2	4·0	23·2
1910, - - -	7·0	42·8	...	...
1911, - - -	8·6	14·4	4·6	...
1913, - - -	...	37·6	6·2	...
Average Crude Effluents,	195·6	50·0	17·0	24·8
Average Settling Tank Capacity, - -	9½ hours' flow.	3½ hours' flow.	14 hours' flow.	24 hours' flow in duplicate.
Suggested Standard— Parts per 100,000, -	5	5	5	5

Royal Commission on Sewage Disposal,
3 Queen Anne's Gate,
Westminster, S.W., 22nd July, 1913.

DEAR SIR,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, and to thank you for the information contained therein.

The Commission are now considering their report on trade wastes, which they hope will be issued about the end of the year. It is probable that the report will contain some recommendations as to coloured discharges.

Yours faithfully,

R. H. KEENLEYSIDE,
Secretary.

Dr. J. T. WILSON,
County Medical Officer of Health,
County Offices,
Hamilton,
Lanark.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH.—TUBERCULOSIS MAINTENANCE.

MEMORANDUM OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD IN CONNECTION WITH THE CLAIM FOR THE ABOVE GRANT.

The period covered by the first claim was 15th July, 1912, to 31st March, 1913.

1. 16*th March*, 1914. L.G.B.
   Dr. Wilson's salary and travelling expenses. One-fourth to rank against the Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant. Confirmed 20th March, 1914. See No. 3 (2).
2. 20*th March*, 1914. L.G.B.
   Lady Health Visitors—Salaries and travelling expenses. One-fourth to rank against the Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant.
3. 26*th March*, 1914. L.G.B.
   (1) Approval of the appointment of Dr. Wilson as Chief Administrative Tuberculosis Officer.
   (2) Approval of the proportion of one-tenth of his salary of £1,000 as Medical Officer of Health in respect of his duties in connection with Tuberculosis.
   (3) Approval of the appointment of Dr. Frank H. Scroggie as Senior Assistant Tuberculosis Officer, and the salary of £266 13s. 4d. in respect thereof, being two-thirds of his total annual salary of £400 as Senior Assistant County Medical Officer and Tuberculosis Officer.
   (4) Approval of the appointments of—
   Dr. Barrowman,
   Dr. Dick,
   Dr. Miller,
   Dr. Adam,
   Dr. Richards,
   as Assistant Tuberculosis Officers, and the salary of £200 in each case in respect thereof, being two-thirds of the total salary of £300 (to each) as Assistant County Medical Officer and Tuberculosis Officer.
4. 30*th March*, 1914. L.G.B.
   (1) Consent to the increase from £300 to £400 a year in the salary of Dr. Patterson.
   (2) Sanction the alteration in the salary of Dr. Scroggie from £250 to £133 6s. 8d. a year, to rank as a claim against the Sanitary Officers' Grant.
   (3) That the Secretary for Scotland, on the recommendation of the Board, has approved the salary of £100 a year to be paid to—
   Dr. Barrowman,
   Dr. Dick,
   Dr. Miller,
   Dr. Adam,
   Dr. Richards,
   to rank as claims against the Sanitary Officers' Grant.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 8th April, 1914.

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

TUBERCULOSIS MAINTENANCE GRANT—SANITARY OFFICERS' GRANT.
SCHEDULE OF SALARIES OF OFFICERS, SHOWING PROPORTIONS ALLOCATED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD.

Officers.	Office.	Salary.	To rank against Tuberculosis Grant.	To rank against Sanitary Officers' Grant.	Date of approval.
Dr. Wilson, ...	County Medical Officer,	£1,000	£100 0 0	£900 0 0	26th March, 1914.
Dr. Scroggie, ...	Senior Assistant,	400	266 13 4	133 6 8	26th and 30th March, 1914.
Dr. Adam, ...	Assistant,	300	200 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
Dr. Barrowman, ...	Do.,	300	200 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
Dr. Dick, ...	Do.,	300	200 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
Dr. Miller, ...	Do.,	300	200 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
Dr. Richards, ...	Do.,	300	200 0 0	100 0 0	Do.
Dr. Patterson, ...	County Bacteriologist,	400	Through the claim for cost of specimens examined.	400 0 0	30th March, 1914.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 8*th April*, 1914.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE ON REMUNERATION OF INSPECTORS UNDER RIVERS POLLUTION ACT, SHOPS ACT, &c.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 29th April, 1914, being a meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee of the Public Health Committee and the General Purposes Committee, in regard to the remuneration of the Inspectors under the Rivers Pollution Act, Shops Act, &c., and the allocation thereof. 29th April, 1914.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
James Cameron.	Joseph Sullivan.
Robert Lambie.	David Thomson.
William Love.	James Tonner.

James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

Dr. Wilson, County Medical Officer.

Colonel Buchanan was appointed chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk having informed the meeting of the remit made to the Sub-Committee, he submitted a statement showing the present salaries of the various Inspectors, and an estimate of the time devoted to the work devolving upon them under the various Statutes, which was as follows, viz :— *Remit to sub-committee.—Statement by Clerk.*

ESTIMATE OF TIME GIVEN TO PARTICULAR WORK.

Inspector M'Naughton (Salary, £160).	Rivers Pollution,	Whole time.
Inspector M'Ara (Salary, £150).	Food and Drugs,	200 days.
	Shops Acts,	80 ,,
	Fertilisers, &c.,	10 ,,
	Refreshment By-laws,	10 ,,
Inspector M'Arthur (Salary, £150).	Rivers Pollution,	150 ,,
	Food and Drugs,	100 ,,
	Shops Acts,	35 ,,
	Fertilisers, &c.,	10 ,,
	Refreshment By-laws,	5 ,,
Inspector Black (Salary, £100).	Food and Drugs,	200 ,,
	Shops Acts,	80 ,,
	Fertilisers, &c.,	10 ,,
	Refreshment By-laws,	10 ,,

The meeting, after discussion, agreed to continue the matter for further consideration. *Matter continued.*

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 14th January, 1914, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 14th January, 1914.

Present—

J. P. Baird.
Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
John Hurll.
W. K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
John M. Loudon.
William Love.
James C. Pollok.
James Prentice.
William Sym.
William Templeton.
David Thomson.
Thomas Watt.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton was unanimously appointed chairman of the committee, and took the chair. *Chairman.*

The quorum of the committee was fixed at five. *Quorum.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 12th November, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, there was submitted a copy of the Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order of 1911, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Wild Birds Order, 1911.—Renewal.*

The Clerk stated that as the present Order expired on 28th February next, it would be necessary, if a renewal of the Order was desired, that application should be made to the Secretary for Scotland on as early a date as possible.

Having directed the attention of the committee to Article VI. of the Order, prohibiting the taking or destroying of the eggs of the lapwing after the 15th day of March in each year, in regard to which a difference of opinion had been expressed, he reminded the meeting of the reasons which had weighed with the County Council in substituting that date for the 15th April, which had appeared in previous Orders.

The meeting, after discussion, instructed the Clerk to make application to the Secretary for Scotland for the renewal of the Order, subject to the substitution of 15th April for 15th March as the date after which the taking or destroying of the eggs of the lapwing should be prohibited, if on inquiry he found that this date corresponded with that contained in similar Orders operating within Counties in the south and west of Scotland.

Tuberculosis Order of 1913. — Statement showing results of operation.

There was submitted a statement (Appendix) showing the number of animals dealt with under the Tuberculosis Order of 1913 during the eight months (May to December) the Order has been in operation, and also the cost of compensation and administrative expenses, &c.

Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that the Tuberculosis Order had now been in operation since 1st May, 1913, and that, notwithstanding the fact that the Order had not only been advertised in the newspapers and copies of it distributed throughout the County, but that printed cards directing special attention to the requirement to notify all suspected cases had been delivered by hand to every stock owner in the County, several cases had been notified to him of failure on the part of stock owners to report suspected cases on their premises.

Contraventions.

As relative thereto, the Clerk submitted informations which he had received in the following cases, viz.:—

John Letham, Auchinairn Farm, Bishopbriggs (26th November, 1913).

This case was detected by Mr. Taylor, Veterinary Inspector, in the course of his inspection of the dairy herd at Auchinairn Farm.

The animal affected was suffering from induration of the udder, both hind-quarters being affected, and was at the same time affected with chronic lung trouble and was expectorating. Microscopical examination revealed tubercle bacilli in the expectorate, as well as in the sample of udder secretion taken, so that the case was an "open one" in a double sense.

On *post-mortem* examination the lesions of tuberculosis were found to be abundantly advanced, the udder being a mass of diseased tissue.

William Mitchell, Oakbank Dairy, Uddingston (30th December, 1913).

This case was detected by Mr. Begg in the course of his inspection of the dairy herd.

The left hind-quarter of the udder was markedly lumpy, and the disease had also appeared in the right hind-quarter.

The *post-mortem* examination revealed advanced tuberculosis, both hind-quarters being badly affected, and the carcase was found to be otherwise affected with the disease.

Thomas Fleming, Auchenheath Farm, Lesmahagow (5th January, 1914).

This case was also detected in the course of the inspection of the dairy herd at the farm. The left hind-quarter was markedly affected, and a microscopical examination of the milk also revealed tubercle bacilli.

On *post-mortem* examination extensive and advanced lesions of tuberculosis were found.

Proceedings to be taken.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to send the informations to the Procurator-Fiscal with a view to proceedings being taken.

Conference at Aberdeen.—Request by County Veterinary Inspector to be permitted to attend.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the County Veterinary Inspector, stating that he had been invited by the President of the North of

Scotland Veterinary Medical Society to attend a Conference at Aberdeen on 31st current in connection with the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, and requesting the sanction of the committee to be permitted to attend.

The meeting acceded to the request of the Veterinary Inspector.

Case detected at Glasgow Auction Mart by Professor M'Call.

The Clerk reported that the first and only case which had so far been dealt with under Article XI. of the Tuberculosis Order, calling for the return to this County of an animal exposed at a market situated in the district of another Local Authority, had, on 13th November, been detected by Professor M'Call in the Glasgow Auction Mart. The Clerk stated that the animal in question had been found to be suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation; that it had been returned to the premises from which it came, viz., East Hills Farm, Cathkin, Rutherglen; that it was slaughtered, and was found to be affected with advanced tuberculosis. On inquiry it had been ascertained that the animal had come originally from Ireland several years ago, but had since remained in this County.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.—Notifications.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, 34 cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and that of these 10 had been certified to be cases of anthrax, the particulars of these being as follows, viz.:—

Bosfield Farm, East Kilbride (James Craig)

Anthrax.

The animal affected in this case was a cross-bred bull, aged one and a-half years, and had been on the premises for the space of two months only, and died on 13th November. The feeding consisted of grey pea meal, Dun pea meal, and "Rus" meal. There remained on the premises 36 cattle and 3 horses.

Dillars Farm, Lesmahagow (Gavin M'Gregor).

In this case the animal affected was a six-months-old heifer, which had been bred on the premises, and died on 15th November. The feeding consisted principally of linseed cake. There remained on the premises 54 cattle, 102 sheep, 2 swine, and 4 horses.

Wester Henshilwood Carnwath (Matthew Barr).

In this case the animal affected was an aged Ayrshire cow, which had been on the premises for two years, and died on 26th November. The feeding consisted of Wright's cotton cake and white pea meal. There remained on the premises 47 cattle, 60 sheep, 2 swine, and 3 horses.

East Parkhead Farm, Crossgates, Bellshill, (James Donald).

The animal affected in this case was a three-year-old Ayrshire cow, which had been bred on the farm, and died on 29th November. The feeding consisted of linseed cake, bean meal, and dried grains. There remained on the premises 33 cattle and 7 horses.

Flatt Farm, East Kilbride (William Chambers).

In this case the animal affected was an Ayrshire stirk, which had been bred on the farm, and died on 4th December. The artificial feeding consisted of Bibby's dairy meal only. There remained on the premises 36 cattle, 62 sheep, and 4 horses.

Backrow Farm, East Kilbride (Thomas M'William).

The animal affected in this case was a four-years-old cow, which had been on the premises for six weeks only. The feeding consisted of bean meal, grain meal, dried grains, and "Eclipse" cake.

A week afterwards a brown and white cow (dry), which had been on the premises for three weeks only, died. It is said that this animal did not receive any artificial food, but as she stood near the above animal, Mr. Begg stated that the animal may have become affected owing to carelessness in the handling of soiled fodder when the animal first above mentioned died.

NETHERTON FARM, BY LANARK (James Meikle).

In this case the animal affected was a four-years-old Ayrshire cow, which had been bred on the farm, and died on 6th January. The feeding consisted of pea meal and Bombay cotton cake. There remained on the premises 49 cattle, 59 sheep, 11 swine, and 6 horses.

ANNIESTON FARM, SYMINGTON (James Hamilton).

The animal affected in this case was a Highland bullock, which had been on the premises since October, 1913, and died on 24th December. The artificial feeding consisted of compound cake. There remained on the premises 99 cattle, 374 sheep, 2 swine, and 11 horses.

WHITELAW FARM, STRATHAVEN (Thomas Dykes).

In this case the animal affected was a 2½-years-old cow in milk, which was bred on the farm, and died on 19th December. The feeding consisted of "Scotia" cake and carnosine. There remained on the premises 50 cattle, 63 sheep, and 2 horses.

The Clerk stated that in each case the diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board, that the carcases had been destroyed, and that the usual precautionary measures had been taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported that the restrictions had been withdrawn in each case, with the exception of Meikle's, and that the restrictions had also been withdrawn in the case of

Craigthornhill, Glasford (W. F. Frame),

reported to last meeting.

Parasitic mange outbreak.

There were submitted to the meeting reports by the Veterinary Inspector in regard to outbreaks of parasitic mange in horses belonging to—

(1) William M'Culloch, contractor, Craigneuk.
(2) James Shirlaw, Gillhead, Law, Carluke.
(3) Robert M'Court, 16 Caledonian Road, Wishaw.

The Clerk stated that in each case the usual precautionary measures had been taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Contravention.—John Anderson, Calderwood Cottage, Bellshill.

As relative to the case first named, there was submitted information against John Anderson, Calderwood Cottage, Bellshill, for failure to notify the existence of disease to the Local Authority. The circumstances of the case having been explained by the Clerk, the meeting instructed him to send the information to the Procurator-Fiscal with a view to proceedings being taken.

Suspected cases.

The Clerk also reported that suspected cases of parasitic mange had been notified as existing at—

(1) Garngour, Lesmahagow (James Stobo);
(2) Camp Coal Company (in respect of an animal at Wishaw Auction Mart);
(3) Brownhill, Shotts (Matthew Baird);
(4) Boghouse, Crawfordjohn (James Weir);

but that the County Veterinary Inspector's examination in each case gave a negative result.

Case of Alexander Forbes, carriage hirer, Longriggend.—Result of prosecution.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk stated that he had been in communication with the J.P. Fiscal at Airdrie with regard to the case of Alexander Forbes, carriage-hirer, Longriggend, and that as a consequence Forbes had been again served with a complaint, and brought before the Court at Airdrie on 22nd December last, when an agent appeared on his behalf, and pled "guilty" to the charge of having failed to report the fact that a mare belonging to him was suffering from parasitic mange. The Court, after hearing a statement by the agent, convicted the accused, but dismissed him with an admonition.

Swine fever.—Infected places.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting the following premises had been declared to be swine fever infected places under the Swine Fever Order, viz.:—

(1) Hartwood Home Farm, Shotts (William Good).
(2) Wattstown, Greengairs (Thomas Liddell).
(3) North Netherburn, Netherburn (James Thomson).
(4) Omoa Combination Poorhouse, Cleland (James Reid).
(5) Burnfoot, Forth (Andrew Moffat).
(6) Over Fingland, Elvanfoot (Robert Wright).
(7) Maryville Cottage, Braehead, Carnwath (M. Mackie).
(8) Biggans Farm, Clydesdale, Mossend (Archibald Stalker).
(9) 99 Union Street, Larkhall (Duncan M'Pherson).
(10) Townhead Farm, Gartsherrie (John Young).
(11) Hollandhurst, by Coatbridge (Oswald Dykes Riddell).
(12) Hollandhurst, by Coatbridge (Marion Young or Sinclair).
(13) Omoa Road, Cleland (Maxwell M'Harry).
(14) Omoa Road, Cleland (Thomas Craig).
(15) Hallhill Farm, Lesmahagow (Gavin Scott).
(16) Whitecraighead Farm, Cleland (James Marshall).

Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported that the restrictions had been withdrawn in each of the first nine cases, and also in the cases of—

(1) Eddlewood Farm, Hamilton (John Hastie),
(2) Gartloch Asylum Farm, Gartcosh (Alexander Bankier),

reported to last meeting.

Contraventions

There were submitted police informations in the following cases, viz.:—

(1) Swine Fever (Special Areas) Order of 1911—
William Gilfillan, Dykehead Farm, Stonehouse.
(2) Swine Fever Order of 1911—
Marion Young or Sinclair, Hollandhurst, Glenboig.

The circumstances of each case having been explained by the Clerk, the meeting agreed not to institute proceedings.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1913.

STATEMENT showing number of Animals dealt with during ten months ending December, 1913—Results of Examinations; Cost of Compensation and Administrative Expenses, &c.

NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED AND RESULTS OF EXAMINATIONS.

Month.	Number of Cases.	Died or killed by owner during investigation.	Results of Examinations.		
			Negative.	Positive.	Under investigation.
May, -	29 (32 animals).	5	11	15	1
June, -	17 (20 animals).	—	7	11	2
July, - -	14 (16 animals).	2	11	3	—
August, - -	10 (11 animals).	—	7	4	—
September, -	23 (25 animals).	—	14	11	—
October, -	25 (27 animals).	—	19	8	—
November, -	31 (33 animals).	—	21	12	—
December, -	35 (37 animals).	3	29	5	—
Total, -	184 (201 animals).	10	119	69	3

Total number of animals examined by the Veterinary Inspectors, 2,317.

COST OF COMPENSATION—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—AND NET COST TO LOCAL AUTHORITY.

(A) POSITIVE CASES.

Month.	Number of Animals slaughtered.	Compensation payable to Owner.	Salvage, less Cost of removal of Animals.	Net Cost of Compensation.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors, Notification Fees, &c.	Total.
May, -	15	£65 1 8	£36 10 7	£28 11 1	£15 4 4	£43 15 5
June, -	11	40 5 0	21 2 0	19 3 0	6 14 5	25 17 5
July, -	3	5 0 0	1 19 1	3 0 11	1 13 3	4 14 2
August, -	4	6 10 0	2 6 2	4 3 10	4 4 8	8 8 6
September,	11	34 5 0	16 17 4	17 7 8	4 10 5	21 18 1
October, -	8	30 0 0	15 15 9	14 4 3	6 9 11	20 14 2
November,	12	30 15 0	17 4 4	13 10 8	7 2 2	20 12 10
December,	5	16 0 0	8 17 0	7 3 0	2 11 1	9 14 1
Total, -	69	£227 16 8	£120 12 3	£107 4 5	£48 10 3	£155 14 8

Brought forward, ... £155 14 8

(B) NEGATIVE CASES.

Month.	Number of Animals.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors. Notification Fees, &c.	
May, - - - -	16	£12 9 3	
June, - - - -	7	5 1 1	
July, - - -	12	7 7 0	
August, - - -	8	3 19 10	
September, - -	14	5 16 7	
October, - -	19	7 11 1	
November, - - -	21	7 17 3	
December, - - -	23	7 14 3	57 16 4
Total, - - -	120		213 11 0

Salary of additional Veterinary Inspector (8 months), ...	141	8 0
Cost of additional clerical assistance (8 months), ...	43	6 8
	£398	5 8
Deduct half of net cost of compensation recoverable from Treasury (£107 4s. 5d.), ...	53	12 2
Net Cost to Local Authority, ...	£344	13 6

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 18th February, 1914, being a meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 18th February, 1914.

Present—

WILLIAM BARR.
JAMES CAMERON.
JOHN HURLL.
Sir SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart.
WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
DAVID THOMSON.

Attending—

HUGH BEGG, County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 14th ultimo, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Tuberculosis Order, 1913.—Results of prosecutions.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting of the Committee, the Clerk reported the result of proceedings which had been taken under the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, in the following cases, viz. :—

(1) John Letham, Auchinairn Farm, Bishopbriggs—Fined £3 or 20 days.

(2) Thomas Fleming, Auchenheath Farm, Lesmahagow—Fined £2 or 20 days.

(3) William Mitchell, Oakbank Dairy, Uddingston—Fined £2 or 20 days.

Foot-and-mouth Disease.—Outbreak in Ireland.—Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk reported that, consequent upon an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the neighbourhood of Dublin at the end of last month, the Board of Agriculture had closed the ports of Great Britain to the importation of cattle, sheep, goats, and swine from the port of Dublin, and had allowed importation of such animals from other ports in Ireland only on condition that they were slaughtered at the landing-place within 96 hours after landing. The Board of Agriculture further instructed that all such animals which had been moved into this country from Ireland within the previous fortnight should be traced and placed under restriction. During that period there had, fortunately, been few animals moved from Ireland into this County, but in two cases it was found necessary to take the precaution of serving notice of detention and having the animals examined by the Veterinary Inspector. No suspicious symptoms of the disease were found, however, and the restrictions had since been withdrawn.

Subsequently the Board modified their Order with respect to Dublin, placing it in the same position as the other Irish ports, and later on they relaxed the restrictions to the extent of allowing animals to be landed in this country, provided that on reaching their place of destination they were subject to ten days' detention, and placed under the supervision of the Local Authority. Shortly after the Board made this relaxation, disease was found to exist at Birkenhead, where several cattle and swine were found to be affected. The result was that the Board had again prohibited entirely the landing in Great Britain of animals from Ireland, and in a statement made to the House of Commons on the 16th instant, the President of the Board of Agriculture indicated that, under the most favourable circumstances, there was no possibility of the trade being resumed for at least a fortnight.

The meeting instructed the Clerk, in the event of further serious outbreaks of the disease occurring in Great Britain, to convene a special meeting of the Committee to consider the question as to the necessity for making regulations with respect to the movement of animals into this county.

The Clerk having suggested that it might be desirable to communicate with other Counties on the subject, with a view, should the necessity arise, of framing regulations, which, having regard to the circumstances of each County, might be as uniform as possible. The meeting approved of this suggestion, and resolved accordingly.

Wild Birds (County of Lanark) Protection Order, 1914.

The Clerk stated that, as instructed at last meeting, he had communicated with the principal Counties in the South and West of Scotland, and had ascertained that the date after which the taking or destroying of the eggs of the lapwing was prohibited in their respective Counties was the 15th April, and that he had accordingly made application to the Secretary for Scotland for a renewal the Order applicable to this County, with the substitution of the date named for the 15th March.

There was submitted to the meeting a copy of the new Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order (Appendix), as made by the Secretary for Scotland, which gave effect to the alteration desired by this Local Authority.

The Clerk reported that, as required by the Wild Birds Acts, the Order had been published in the newspapers, and placards containing a copy of it had been posted up throughout the County.

Protection of eggs of game birds.

The attention of the meeting having been directed to the advisability or otherwise of including within the scope of the Wild Birds Order protection for the eggs of game birds, including pheasants, partridges, and black game, and the Clerk having made a statement with regard to the protection which these birds were afforded under the existing law in Scotland, it was agreed to continue consideration of the matter.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order.—Notifications.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, 22 cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and that of these 4 had been certified to be cases of Anthrax, the particulars of these being as follows, viz. :—

Stewartfield Farm, East Kilbride, (Robert Leggat).—In this case the animal affected was an 18 months old quey, which had been bred on the premises and which died on 24th January. The artificial food-stuffs consisted of bean meal, thirds, and oat dust. There remained on the premises 37 cattle 1 pig, and 6 horses.

The restrictions were withdrawn on 3rd February.

As relative to this case there was submitted a claim amounting to £4 13s. 4d., which had been received from Mr. Leggat for compensation in respect of milk rendered unfit for use, owing, it was alleged, to the cleansing and disinfecting operations carried out by the servants of this Local Authority.

The Clerk explained to the meeting the circumstances of the case, and stated that on receipt of the letter he had written to Mr. Leggat denying liability. The meeting approved of the Clerk's action.

Over Letham, by Strathaven, (William Craig).—The animal affected in this case was a 2½-year old cow in milk, which had been bred on the premises and died on 20th January. The artificial food-stuffs consisted of bean meal, "Dunrea" meal, and "Albion" cake. There remained on the premises 36 cattle, 42 sheep, and 4 horses.

The restrictions were withdrawn on 29th January,

Cardowan Farm, Stepps (William Johnstone)—In this case two animals were effected, both being 3½ years old cross-bred Highland heifers. One died on 5th February, and the other on the 7th. The artificial food-stuffs consisted of cotton cake and linseed cake. There remained on the premises 39 cattle and six horses.

The restrictions were withdrawn on 18th February

In each of the above cases the diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector was confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries ; the carcases destroyed, and the usual precautionary measures taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk stated that the restrictions which had been placed on Netherton Farm, Lanark, (James Meikle), reported to last meeting, had now been withdrawn.

Suspected case of glanders.

The Clerk stated that a suspected case of glanders had been reported as existing on the premises of Howman's Farm, Glasford, in the case of a yearling colt belonging to Mr. Moug, butcher, Cambuslang, but that the County Veterinary Inspector's examination gave a negative result.

Parasitic Mange.—Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, the restrictions which had been placed on the following premises, consequent upon outbreaks of parasitic mange, had been withdrawn. viz.:—

16 Caledonian Road, Wishaw (Robert M'Court).
Gillhead, Law, Carluke (James Shirlaw).

Swine Fever Order.—Infected places.

It was stated that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared to be swine-fever infected places, under the Swine Fever Order, viz.:—

Townend Farm, Stonehouse (John Stobo).
Whittagreen Farm, Newarthill (Mrs. Eliz. Fleming or Gardiner).
Moodiesburn, Chryston (Archibald Alexander).
Greenshields Farm, Lesmahagow (John Wharrie).
North Hillhead Farm, Carluke (Robert Paterson).

The restrictions had since been withdrawn in the first 3 cases and also in the cases of—

Whitecraighead Farm, Cleland (James Marshall).
Hallhill Farm, Lesmahagow (Gavin Scott).

reported to last meeting.

Sheep scab.

The Clerk reported that information had been received from one of the Inspectors of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, that sheep scab had broken out amongst hoggs in Ayrshire, which had recently come from Grassfield Farm, Whitehouse, Argyllshire, and that it had been ascertained that 17 black-faced lambs from the same farm had been purchased by Gavin Ross, Dykehead Farm, Chapelton. On inquiry, it was found that the whole of the 17 lambs referred to, with the exception of 2, had been sold as fat in Glasgow Market. These 2, along with 4 other sheep, were examined by the County Veterinary Inspector, but none of them were found to be affected with scab. An Isolation Notice was, however, served on Ross with respect to these sheep, as well as a notice requiring him to dip them within a specified time. This had been done and the restrictions had now been withdrawn.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WILD BIRD, SCOTLAND.

THE WILD BIRDS PROTECTION (COUNTY OF LANARK) ORDER.
DATED 9TH FEBRUARY, 1914.

Whereas the Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order, 1911, will expire on the twenty-eighth day of February, 1914:

And whereas it is expedient to renew the said Order:

Now therefore, I, the undersigned, His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, and upon application by the County Council of the County of Lanark, do hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order shall apply within the County of Lanark.

2. The "Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880," shall apply to the following Wild Birds, as if they had been included in the Schedule to the said Act, viz.:—

Bullfinch	Jay	Quail
Buzzard	Kestrel	Raven
Crossbill	Martin	Sand Martin
Dipper	Merlin	Siskin
Duck, Tufted	Osprey	Swallow
Hawfinch	Peregrine Falcon	Swift

3. The taking or killing of any of the following Wild Birds is hereby prohibited throughout the whole year, viz.:—

Buzzard	Kestrel	Owl, Short-eared
Chough	Kingfisher	Owl, Tawny
Dotterel	Osprey	Peregrine Falcon
Goldfinch	Owl, Barn	Woodpecker, Great Spotted
Grebe, Great-crested	Owl, Long-eared	

4. The taking or killing of any Wild Bird and the taking or destroying of the eggs of any Wild Bird are hereby prohibited on all Sundays throughout the whole year.

5. The taking or destroying of the eggs of the following Wild Birds is prohibited:—

Bullfinch	Mallard	Sand Martin
Buzzard	Martin	Shoveller
Chough	Merlin	Siskin
Crossbill	Nightjar	Skylark
Dipper	Osprey	Snipe
Dotterel	Owl, Barn	Swallow
Duck, Eider	Owl, Long-eared	Swift
Duck, Sheld	Owl, Short-eared	Teal
Duck, Tufted	Owl, Tawny	Tern, Common
Goldfinch	Oyster-Catcher	Tern, Little
Grebe, Great crested	Peregrine Falcon	Tern, Sandwich
Gull, Common	Plover, Golden	Wigeon
Hawfinch	Plover, Ringed	Woodcock
Jay	Pochard	Woodpecker, Great Spotted
Kestrel	Quail	
Kingfisher	Raven	

6. The taking or destroying of the eggs of the Lapwing is hereby prohibited after the fifteenth day of April in each year.

7. This Order which may be cited as "The Wild Birds Protection (County of Lanark) Order, 1914," shall remain in force until the twenty-eighth day of February, 1917.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Whitehall this 9th day of February, 1914.

(L.S.) (Sd.) T. M'KINNON WOOD,
His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

25th March, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 25th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.	Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
James Cameron.	James C. Pollok.
W. W. Chapman.	James Prentice.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	William Sym.
William K. Jackson.	William Templeton.
John M. Loudon.	David Thomson.
William Love.	Thomas Watt.

Attending—

Captain Despard, Chief Constable of the County.
Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Chairman.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 18th February, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Tuberculosis Order 1913.—Letter from Town-Clerk of Glasgow.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, inviting this Local Authority to join with the Corporation and other Local Authorities in laying before the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries suggestions for the amendment of the Tuberculosis Order of 1913, and in representing to the Board the urgent need for further financial aid being given towards meeting the cost incurred under that Order of compensation and administrative expenses.

Memorandum and Statement submitted.

As relative to the same matter, the Clerk submitted to the meeting—

(1) Memorandum (Appendix I.) containing suggestions for the amendment of the Order; and

(2) Statement (Appendix II.) showing the result in the County of the operation of the Order from 1st May, 1913, to 28th February, 1914;

and he stated that prints of the Memorandum and Statement had been sent to each member of the committee.

As relative to the Memorandum above referred to, the Clerk stated that there was undoubtedly a good case for making a demand for further financial assistance from the Government towards meeting the cost of administering the Order, and he explained—assuming that the Government were prepared to grant additional monies for this purpose—several alternative methods by which the money might be allocated amongst Local Authorities.

After discussion, the meeting expressed the opinion that the fairest basis would be the number of positive cases dealt with by the Local Authorities in their respective districts, and the Clerk was instructed to make known to the Board the committee's view on this point.

Meeting agreed to co-operate with Corporation of Glasgow and other Local Authorities in making representation to Board.

The meeting agreed to co-operate with the Corporation of Glasgow and other Local Authorities in making a representation to the Board on the whole subject of the Order, and appointed the chairman, along with the Clerk and Veterinary Inspector, to take such action in connection with the matter as they may consider advisable.

Tuberculosis Order.—Alleged contraventions.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from the Veterinary Inspector reporting a number of alleged contraventions of the Order in respect of failure to notify cases of udder disease, and stated that, notwithstanding the publicity given in the newspapers to the convictions that had already been obtained in similar cases, it appeared that stock-owners were not yet sufficiently impressed with the duties which the Order placed upon them.

Remit to sub-committee.

The meeting appointed the following sub-committee to consider the information relating to cases referred to, with power to instruct proceedings in such of them where they consider prosecutions advisable, viz.:—

Colonel Buchanan. William Love.
James Cameron. James Prentice.
William Templeton.

Disposal of carcases of animals condemned under Tuberculosis Order.

With regard to the disposal of carcases of animals condemned under the Order, the meeting agreed that, in all cases where the expense of removal was not prohibitive, the carcase should be sent to Omoa Knackery to be disposed of there, and that in other cases it should be destroyed in such manner as the Veterinary Inspector thought best.

Foot and Mouth Disease.—Minutes of Conference of representatives of Local Authorities of Southern Counties.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting minutes (Appendix III.) of a Conference of representatives of Local Authorities of the southern counties of Scotland, held at Glasgow on 9th March, 1914, on the subject of foot-and-mouth disease, and he stated that a print of the minutes had been sent to each member of the committee. The proceedings, as contained in the minutes, were approved of.

The Clerk stated that, since the date of the Conference, no fresh outbreak had occurred in Great Britain, although there had been several further cases reported from certain parts of Ireland, and that, in the circumstances, it might be expected that the present protective measures of the Board would not be relaxed for some time yet.

Examination of animals at Gartness Farm, Chapelhall.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the County Veterinary Inspector had been asked to examine eight animals at Gartness Farm, Chapelhall, which had gone lame, but that he had found no evidence of foot-and-mouth disease, the animals being affected with an infectious form of "foul-of-the-foot" disease.

Cases notified under Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907.—Cases of Anthrax.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, nineteen cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907, and that of these four had been certified to be cases of anthrax, the particulars of these being as follows, viz.:—

(1) *Lambhill Farm, Strathaven (James Dempster)*—

27th February, 1914.—The animal affected was a four-year-old cross-bred cow in calf, and had been on the premises for three years. The feeding consisted of Bombay cotton-cake and Eclipse cake. There remain on the premises 52 cattle, 55 sheep, 4 swine, and 3 horses.

(2) *Westtown, Coalburn (John Blackwood Greenshields)*—

7th March, 1914.—The animal affected was a 15 months old Irish bullock. The feeding consisted of Bombay cotton-cake. There remain on the premises 40 cattle, 243 sheep, 1 pig, and 3 horses.

(3) *Lochlyock, Thankerton (John Lohoar)*—

19th March, 1914.—The animal affected was a $4\frac{1}{2}$ years old cow-in-milk, which had been bred on the farm. The feeding consisted of Smyrna bean meal and Wallace's compound cake. There remain on the farm 113 cattle, 1,000 sheep, and 8 horses.

(4) *Newbigging Mill, Carnwath (Thomas Stewart)*—

21st March, 1914.—The animal affected was a three-year-old Irish heifer. The feeding consisted of Bombay cotton-cake and linseed cake. There remain on the farm 64 cattle, 251 sheep, and 7 horses.

In each of the above cases the diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, the carcases destroyed, and the usual precautionary measures taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk also stated that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the two cases first above mentioned.

Notes by County Veterinary Inspector on Anthrax Order of 1910.

There was submitted to the meeting notes (Appendix IV.) by the County Veterinary Inspector on the subject of the Anthrax Order of 1910, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee, and the meeting instructed the Clerk to transmit a copy of the notes to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907.—Alleged contraventions.

The Clerk laid before the meeting police information against James Fleming, farmer, and William Struthers, farm manager, High Bent Farm, Strathaven, for an alleged contravention of the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order of 1907, in respect that they failed to report the fact that a cow belonging to the first-named had died suddenly on 22nd February last. After consideration, the meeting instructed that the information should be sent to the Fiscal, with a view to proceedings being instituted.

Swine Fever Order.

The Clerk stated that, since the date of last meeting, the following premises had been declared to be swine fever-infected places under the Swine Fever Order, viz.:—

Piggery at No. 8 Boghall Street, Stonehouse (John Craig);

Withdrawal of restrictions.

and he further stated that the restrictions had been withdrawn in the above case, and also in the following cases previously reported, viz.:—

Greenshields Farm, Lesmahagow (John Wharrie).
North Hillhead Farm, Carluke (Robert Paterson).

Sheep Scab outbreak at North Dunduff Farm, Strathaven.

There was submitted to the meeting a report by the Veterinary Inspector regarding a serious outbreak of sheep scab at North Dunduff Farm, Strathaven, occupied by Francis Wilson, in which he stated that quite a number of the sheep were affected, and appeared to have been affected for some considerable time; that as the fencing of the fields in which the sheep were was in disrepair, it was thought that some of the sheep in the adjoining farms might have been in contact; that precautions had been taken to prevent the spread of the disease; and that he had arranged to make an examination of the sheep in the adjoining farms.

Sheep Scab.—Suspected case at Cairniehead, Shotts.

The Clerk reported that the Veterinary Inspector had examined a wether lamb at Cairniehead, Shotts, belonging to James Thomson, which was suspected of being affected with sheep scab, but that no trace of the disease could be found.

Wart Disease of Potatoes.—Conference in Edinburgh.

A communication from the County Clerk of Fife, inviting the appointment of representatives to attend a Conference to be held in the County Rooms, Edinburgh, on the subject of wart disease of potatoes, having been submitted, the meeting appointed the chairman and the Veterinary Inspector, along with the Clerk, to represent the committee at the Conference.

Wild Birds Protection.—Evidence before Departmental Committee.

There was laid before the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the County Councils' Association, stating that the Departmental Committee on Wild Birds Protection had requested the Association to assist them in their inquiry by suggesting the names of representatives from County Councils having an intimate knowledge of the subject who would be willing to give evidence. The meeting agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the chairman and the Clerk.

Notes on Wild Birds Protection Acts and Orders to be brought up-to-date.

Under reference to the Wild Birds Protection Acts and Orders, the Clerk stated that, some years ago, he had prepared notes for the information of members of the Council, and that, if thought desirable, he would bring the notes up-to-date and have them reprinted. The meeting agreed that this should be done.

Mr. R. R. Tatlock, Analyst under Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act going on extended holiday.—Mr. R. T. Thomson appointed to act as deputy.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Mr. R. R. Tatlock, the Analyst for the County under the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, asking that the County Council should appoint his partner, Mr. Robert Tatlock Thomson, F.I.C., to act as Deputy Analyst during his absence on an extended holiday, and suggesting further that the appointment might be made permanent, as had been done in the cases of the Counties of Stirling and Dunbarton.

The meeting agreed, in the meantime, to recommend the County Council to appoint Mr. Robert Tatlock Thomson to be Deputy Analyst during the absence of Mr. Tatlock.

Markets and Sales Order of 1910.—Licence granted in respect of Lanark Auction Mart.

The Clerk laid before the meeting copy of a licence which had been granted by the Board of Agriculture, under the Markets and Sales Order of 1910, in respect of Lanark Auction Mart.

Salary of Mr. Begg, Chief Veterinary Inspector.—Increase granted.

The chairman having brought before the committee the question of the salary of Mr. Begg, Chief Veterinary Inspector, who had been appointed on 12th May, 1910, at his present salary, the meeting unanimously agreed that, having regard to the increased responsibility and work devolving upon Mr. Begg in consequence of the operation of the Tuberculosis Order and other Orders, his salary be increased from £450 to £500 per annum, the increase to take effect as from 15th March, 1914.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Tuberculosis Order, 1913.

MEMORANDUM PREPARED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK, CONTAINING SUGGESTIONS FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE ORDER.

Articles 2 (1), 3 (1), 4 (5), *and* 5 (1).

Articles 2 (1) and 3 (1) require the Local Authority to inform the Sanitary Authority of every case notified; Article 4 (5) requires a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's report to be sent to the Sanitary Authority; and Article 5 (1) requires notice of intention to slaughter to be sent to the Board. The Order does not require the result of *post-mortem* examinations to be sent either to the Board or to the Sanitary Authority.

As the Sanitary Authority may, on receiving a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's report of the existence of disease, have taken steps under the Public Health Acts, it would seem desirable that that Authority should, at any rate, be informed of the result of the *post-mortem* examination in any case where such examination shows that the animal was not suffering from tuberculosis.

It is suggested that the object of the Order in requiring notice to be given to the Sanitary Authority might best be attained by sending in every case to such Authority a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's report of his *post-mortem* examination only. In the opinion of the Local Authority no good purpose is served by notifying the Sanitary Authority of every case reported to them under the Order. Indeed, such notification, while serving no good purpose, merely leads to unnecessary trouble.

It is also suggested that the Order should provide that the Public Health Authority or their officers should notify the Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts of any cases of disease which may come under their notice, or which may be reported to them other than through the Local Authority or through the police.

Article 2.

It is suggested that the Order should be amended so as to bring within its scope all "open cases," that is to say, all animals which could be demonstrated by microscopical examination of the discharges to be actively capable of spreading infection to other animals. The urgent need that exists for such an extension of the Order has already been made the subject of representation on the part of the Local Authority, and it is therefore unnecessary to do more than reiterate their conviction of the necessity that exists for the suggested extension.

If this is agreed to, consequential amendments will be necessary in subsequent Articles of the Order.

Article 4 (1).

(*a*) It is suggested that this Article should be so amended as to confer upon a Veterinary Inspector of a Local Authority power to enter any premises for the purpose of examining any herd or any head of cattle.

This amendment is suggested as, under the Public Health Act, a stock-owner would be entitled to object to a Veterinary Inspector making an examination of his herd unless he himself is a Sanitary Inspector or is accompanied by a Sanitary Inspector.

(*b*) It is also suggested that the words in Article 4 (1), "with the previous "consent in writing of the owner of the animal or of his agent, but not "otherwise," should be deleted.

While no difficulty has been experienced in this County in obtaining the consent of the stock-owners to the application of the tuberculin test, it is thought that the consent of the owner in this connection might now be dispensed with.

Articles 4 (5), 4 (6); *Article* 5, *and Article* 6.

The provisions of these Articles deal with the examination by a Veterinary Inspector of suspected animals; the sending of his report to the Local Authority; the serving of the notice upon the owner; and, in the case of an animal found to be diseased, the fixing of a mutual valuation and the slaughter of the animal.

From discussions which have taken place at conferences on the subject of the Order it is evident that Local Authorities have great difficulty in carrying out the provisions of these Articles. Some Local Authorities seem to interpret the Articles literally, and consider it necessary that the Local Authority or their Executive Committee should, on a report by their Inspector, deal with every case, and determine subsequent action.

The adoption of such procedure would in this County not only render the Order almost impracticable, but the labour and expense would be greatly increased, and the delay in disposing of such cases would not be in the interests of the stock-owners.

In this County the Veterinary Inspector is empowered by the Local Authority to carry out all the steps prescribed by these Articles without being required to report to them before the slaughter of the animal.

It is accordingly suggested that the Article should be amended so as to expressly empower Local Authorities, where they see fit, to entrust their Veterinary Inspectors with the carrying out of the procedure prescribed by these several Articles.

Article 6—*Valuation for Compensation.*

Suggestions have been made that there should be only one valuation instead of two.

This Local Authority are quite satisfied with this Article in its present form. They have experienced no difficulty in the matter, although it may be that one valuation would be better understood by stock-owners.

The Lanarkshire Local Authority have therefore no objection to there being only one valuation, and they are prepared to agree to the following proportions of the valuation being allowed as compensation, viz.: —Advanced cases, one-fourth; not advanced cases, five-eighths.

Article 11—*Suspected Animals in Markets, Fairs, and Sales.*

If Article 11 of the Order is to be amended, this Local Authority can only repeat the arguments which they have previously used against the Article in its present form, and suggest the amendment which has already been submitted to the Board. These arguments and amendment are as follows: —

This Local Authority are strongly opposed to the provisions of Article 11 of the Order, mainly for the following reasons, viz.: —

1. It relates only to animals exposed at markets. It makes no provision for relieving a Local Authority in the case of a diseased animal moved into their district from the district of another Local Authority, except where the animal has been exposed at a market within the jurisdiction of the first-mentioned Authority. If the provision is a just one it should not be restricted merely to cases where the animal happens to be exposed at a market, but should apply generally.

2. It provides that a diseased animal or suspected animal may be moved back to the premises from which it was brought, notwithstanding that the animal may have been on such premises only for a day or two prior to the sale, and may have been moved to such premises from the district of another Local Authority.

3. It provides that, if the owner or person in charge so desires, the animal shall be moved to such premises as he may select, provided they are, in the opinion of the Veterinary Inspector, suitable. This provision, in effect, places in the hands of the owner or person in charge the power of determining the Local Authority by whom the compensation would fall to be paid, and the case otherwise dealt with. The premises named by the owner or person in charge may be situated in a district in which the animal had never been before, and the Local Authority of such district would require to deal with the case, and pay the compensation due without relief from the Local Authority of the district from which the animal was moved to the market.

4. The provisions of the Article are a departure from the recognised principle which applies in all other cases of disease notifiable under the Diseases of Animals Acts dealt with by a Local Authority, and which places upon the Local Authority of the district in which a diseased animal or suspected animal is, the responsibility of dealing with the case.

It is recognised that tuberculosis amongst animals may be differentiated from most other diseases notifiable under the Acts, in respect that it is not so immediately contagious, but, notwithstanding this, the Local Authority deprecate power being conferred upon one Local Authority to remove a diseased or suspected animal into the district of another Local Authority without the consent of the latter. It is accordingly represented that Article 11 of the Order should be amended to the following effect, viz.:—

"(1) A Veterinary Inspector of a Local Authority may, by notice served
"on the owner or person in charge of a bovine animal exposed in
"a market, fair-ground, or sale-yard which appears to him to be
"(*i.*) suffering from tuberculosis of the udder, indurated
"udder, or other chronic disease of the udder; or
"(*ii.*) suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation,
"require the animal to be removed from the market, fair-ground,
"or sale-yard to other premises for the purpose of examination,
"under the foregoing provisions of this Order.

"(2) No animal in respect of which notice has been served under this
"Article shall be moved into the district of another Local
"Authority without the consent of such Local Authority."

Article 16 *(Offences).*

It is suggested that this Article should be extended so as to render every person liable to prosecution who exposes at a market, fair, or sale-yard a bovine animal suffering from any of the forms of tuberculosis which is required to be notified under Article 2 of the Order.

T. M.

March, 1914.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1913.

STATEMENT showing number of Animals dealt with during ten months ending February, 1914—Results of Examinations; Cost of Compensation and Administrative Expenses, &c.

NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED AND RESULTS OF EXAMINATIONS.

Month.	Number of Cases.	Died or killed by owner during investigation.	Results of Examinations.		
			Negative.	Positive.	Under investigation.
1913.					
May, - -	29 (32 animals).	5	11	15	1
June, -	17 (20 animals).	—	7	11	2
July, - -	14 (16 animals).	2	11	3	—
August, - -	10 (11 animals).	—	7	4	—
September, -	23 (25 animals).	—	14	11	—
October, -	25 (27 animals).	—	19	8	—
November, -	31 (33 animals).	—	21	12	—
December, -	35 (37 animals).	3	29	5	—
1914.					
January, -	37 (37 animals).	—	22	15	—
February, -	31 (34 animals).	2	20	12	—
Total, -	252 (272 animals).	12	161	96	3

COST OF COMPENSATION—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—AND NET COST TO LOCAL AUTHORITY.

(A) POSITIVE CASES.

Month.	Number of Animals slaughtered.	Compensation payable to Owner.	Salvage, less Cost of removal of Animals.	Net Cost of Compensation.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors, Notification Fees, &c.	Total.
1913.						
May, -	15	£65 1 8	£36 10 7	£28 11 1	£15 4 4	£43 15 5
June, -	11	40 5 0	21 2 0	19 3 0	6 14 5	25 17 5
July, -	3	5 0 0	1 19 1	3 0 11	1 13 3	4 14 2
August, -	4	6 10 0	2 6 2	4 3 10	4 4 8	8 8 6
September,	11	34 5 0	16 17 4	17 7 8	4 10 5	21 18 1
October, -	8	30 0 0	15 15 9	14 4 3	6 9 11	20 14 2
November,	12	30 15 0	17 4 4	13 10 8	7 2 2	20 12 10
December,	5	16 0 0	8 17 0	7 3 0	2 11 1	9 14 1
1914.						
January, -	15	56 7 6	24 15 3	31 12 3	6 12 6	38 4 9
February,	12	48 10 0	21 0 6	27 9 6	5 14 0	33 3 6
Total, -	96	£332 14 2	£166 8 0	£166 6 2	£60 16 9	£227 2 11

(B) NEGATIVE CASES.

Month.	Number of Animals.	Travelling Expenses of Inspectors. Notification Fees, &c.	
1913.			
May, - - - -	16	£12 9 3	
June, - - - -	7	5 1 1	
July, - -	12	7 7 0	
August, - - -	8	3 19 10	
September, -	14	5 16 7	
October, - -	19	7 11 1	
November, - - -	21	7 17 3	
December, - - -	23	7 14 3	
1914.			
January, - - -	22	9 1 0	
February, - - -	22	8 10 0	75 7 4
Total, - - -	164		302 10 3

Salary of additional Veterinary Inspector (10 months), ...	179	14 8
Cost of additional clerical assistance (10 months), ...	54	3 4
	£536	8 3
Deduct half of net cost of compensation recoverable from Treasury (£166 6s. 2d.), ...	83	3 1
Net Cost to Local Authority, ...	£453	5 2

APPENDIX III.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE

OF

REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES OF THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES OF SCOTLAND ON THE SUBJECT OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Monday, 9th March, 1914, being a Conference of Local Authorities of the Southern Counties of Scotland on the subject of Foot-and-Mouth Disease. 9th March, 1914.

Present—

As representing—

AYR—
Hugh M. Poe.
James E. Shaw, Clerk.
Alexander Douglas, Veterinary Inspector.

DUMFRIES—
Charles W. Ralston.
John Robson, County Clerk.

DUNBARTON—
William Russell.
W. Craig, County Clerk.

KIRKCUDBRIGHT—
Alexander Donald, Chief Constable.

LINLITHGOW—
J. F. M'Laren.

MIDLOTHIAN—
J. M'Hutchen Dobbie.

PEEBLES—
J. Ramsay Smith, County Clerk.

RENFREW—
A. A. Hagart Speirs.
J. C. Fraser, Depute County Clerk.

STIRLING—
James Learmonth, County Clerk.

LANARK—
William Templeton.
Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk.
Hugh Begg, Veterinary Inspector.

Sir Thomas Munro acted as Clerk of the Conference.

On the motion of Mr. Templeton, Mr. J. M'Hutchen Dobbie was appointed Chairman of the Conference. *Chairman.*

Apologies.

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. Asher (Midlothian), and letters were submitted and read from the Clerks to the Local Authorities of the Counties of Berwick, Haddington, and Selkirk.

Letter suggesting Conference.

The Clerk submitted a copy of the letter which he had addressed to the several County Clerks, suggesting the Conference, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 26th February, 1914.

"Dear Sir,

"FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

"Though it is to be hoped that the prompt measures taken by the Board of Agriculture in connection with the recent outbreaks of this disease in England will prove effective in preventing its spread, there is the possibility of such developments as may call for the putting in force of local restrictions. It is, therefore, perhaps desirable that Local Authorities should have an early opportunity of conferring, with a view to arriving at some understanding which would avoid such an unfortunate situation as was created on the occasion of the last serious outbreak, through Local Authorities framing different Regulations with respect to movement.

"With this object, I would accordingly suggest that a Conference of County Local Authorities in the South and West of Scotland should be provisionally fixed to be held in the County Buildings, 149 Ingram Street, Glasgow, *on Monday, 9th proximo,* at 2.15 o'clock p.m.

"Should no serious development occur, the Conference need not be held, and in such event I will again communicate with you before the date named.

"It is also suggested that, as the Conference would be more or less an informal one, it would be sufficient if each Local Authority were represented by the Chairman or other member of the Executive Committee, and the Clerk.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

(Signed) "THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*

"*P.S.*—Before taking any action in this matter, I thought it desirable to communicate with Mr. Asher, Clerk to the County Councils' Association, and it is with his concurrence I make this suggestion."

Statement by Sir Thomas Munro.—Letter from Board of Agriculture.

The Clerk stated that, in consequence of the recent outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease in Ireland and also in England, he had taken the opportunity, when in London last week, of calling upon the Board of Agriculture, with a view to ascertaining the position of matters, and he submitted and read a letter which he had received from Mr. A. W. Anstruther, of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and of which the following is an Excerpt:—

"Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,
"4 Whitehall Place, S.W.,
"6th March, 1914.

"Dear Sir Thomas Munro,

"The only local regulations as regards Foot and Mouth Disease that have been made, so far as we are aware, are those of Perth, made on 25th ultimo, to which you refer in your letter to me. I enclose a list of the outbreaks which have occurred this year in England and Wales. As regards the Durham and Worcestershire areas, although one can

never speak with certainty in these matters, everything points to the probability that there will be no further spread of the disease, and the restrictions are being gradually modified on the usual lines. As regards the Liverpool area, the disease has not, so far, escaped from the City of Liverpool, and with any reasonable luck it should be confined to the cow-sheds in the City. The outbreak at Conway is of a peculiar character, as only one fatting pig was on the premises, and it had been there since June last. We are, so far, entirely at a loss to account for this outbreak, and it is possible that some other disease centre in this neighbourhood may come to light. So far, however, the reports from this district are satisfactory, and the animals in the immediate neighbourhood of the outbreak, which are examined daily, remain healthy. It looks, therefore, as if it might turn out to be one of those mysterious visitations which have always yielded to our somewhat drastic treatment. The outlook generally, as regards this country, seems at the moment to be quite a hopeful one.

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"Yours sincerely,

"A. W. ANSTRUTHER."

STATEMENT SHOWING THE OUTBREAKS OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CONFIRMED SINCE 18TH FEBRUARY, 1914.

Date of Report.	Date Confirmed.	Name and Address of Owner.
18th February	19th February	John Parkinson, Greenwell House Farm, Lowfell, Birtley, Co. Durham.
21st ,,	22nd ,,	John Newton Jones, Brook Farm, Bradley Green, Redditch, Worcestershire.
23rd ,,	23rd ,,	Mrs. Mary Sheldon, 6 and 8 Wren Street, Everton, Liverpool (Lancashire).
23rd ,,	23rd ,,	Thomas Brown, 73 Louis Street, Scotland Road, Liverpool (Lancashire).
27th ,,	27th ,,	Elizabeth Beardmore, 147 Burlington Street, Liverpool (Lancashire).
1st March	1st March	James Harrison, 59 and 61 Robson Street, Liverpool, disease at 114 Leadenhall Street, Everton, Liverpool (Lancashire).
2nd ,,	2nd ,,	Richard Greenbank, 36 Bedford Road, Walton, Liverpool (Lancashire).
3rd ,,	3rd ,,	Albert Wood, Bodlondeb, Conway, Carnarvonshire.
3rd ,,	3rd ,,	James Harrison, 59 and 61 Robson Street, Liverpool (Lancashire).

The Clerk explained that he understood that while, meantime, no animals were allowed to be landed at Liverpool, the time would come when, as soon as there was a cessation of outbreaks in Ireland, the restrictions might fall to be modified to the extent of allowing animals to land subject, in the first place, to their being slaughtered at the wharf, and later on to their being moved under licence to specified premises, provided they are isolated for a given period of days. He further stated that the Board had expressed their willingness, if requested to do so by a Local Authority, to decline to issue licenses authorising the movement of animals landed from Ireland to the district of such Local Authority until such time as the Local Authority might see fit to allow the movement.

Findings of Conference.

The meeting, after discussion, expressed the following views, and agreed to recommend their respective constituents accordingly, viz.:—

(1) That, having regard to the measures taken by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to prevent the spread of the disease, it was unnecessary, in the present circumstances, for the Local Authorities to make local regulations respecting movement of animals into their districts;

(2) That, in the event of circumstances arising through the outbreak of disease in any area or areas outwith the areas presently under restriction, which might render it expedient for the Local Authorities to consider the necessity for making regulations, the Local Authorities should confer together with a view to the framing of regulations which might, having regard to the circumstances of each County, be as nearly uniform as possible.

Further Conference to be called in event of additional outbreaks of disease.

Sir Thomas Munro stated that he would make a request to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to be kept informed as to the latest developments, and that, should further outbreaks occur, he would at once put himself in communication with the Local Authorities invited to this Conference.

Views of Conference to be communicated to other Local Authorities and to Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

It was agreed that the views of the Conference be communicated to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and also to the Local Authorities of the Cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow, as well as to such County Local Authorities not participating in the Conference as the Clerk may see fit.

Transit of Animals.—Proposed arrangement with Railway Companies.

The Clerk also undertook, in the event of it being found necessary to make Regulations, to consult the Railway Companies, with a view to arranging matters in such a way as to accommodate stock-owners in regard to the transit of animals.

APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Local Authority under the Diseases (Animals) Acts.

NOTES BY THE COUNTY VETERINARY INSPECTOR ON OUTBREAKS OF ANTHRAX WHICH HAVE OCCURRED IN THE COUNTY DURING THE PERIOD FROM 1ST JANUARY, 1911, TO 28TH FEBRUARY, 1914.

Since the Anthrax Order of 1910 came into operation on 1st January, 1911, we have examined within the period up to 28th February last, under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 1907, and the Anthrax Order, 1910, eight hundred carcases of animals that died, and of which we were notified through the usual channels. Of these, fifty proved to be cases of Anthrax, giving a percentage of 6·25 positive, and 93·75 negative cases.

The following facts regarding the Order and the positive cases may be of interest to the members of the Executive Committee.

Prior to 1st January, 1911, the Veterinary Inspector of the Local Authority had full power to decide as to the existence of Anthrax in all cases, and to act accordingly, though it is true that on occasion the Board of Agriculture requested the sending of a blood swab or smear to their laboratory, presumably to check the diagnosis.

Under the new Order of 1910, the Veterinary Inspector, when he diagnoses a case of Anthrax, is required to send to the Board such samples of blood taken from the carcase as will enable their Veterinary Officer to decide whether the case is one of Anthrax or not.

Pending the Board's decision, the Veterinary Inspector deals with the carcase and the *locus* as if the case were one of Anthrax, "Form C" being served on the owner making the place a "suspected area." If the Veterinary Officer of the Board confirms the Veterinary Inspector's opinion, word is sent by the Board, by telegram, to the Superintendent of Police for the area in which the case occurred, and he then serves "Form A" (in lieu of "Form C"), making the place an "infected area."

Under the Order the Board does not seek to supervise the diagnosis of the Veterinary Inspector in those cases in which he has no suspicion of the existence of Anthrax.

The chief reason for the Board's supervision of the Inspector's diagnosis in suspected cases is doubtless that reliable statistics may be compiled regarding the occurrence of the disease throughout the Kingdom.

In none of the forty-eight outbreaks, involving fifty animals, has the diagnosis of the Board's Veterinary Officer been in conflict with that of the County Veterinary Inspector.

When the death of a bovine animal is reported to us the duty of investigating the case takes precedence of all other work on hand.

It is a common experience to find when the Veterinary Inspector arrives at a farm that (contrary to the Anthrax Order) the carcase has been hauled outside, a proceeding that is fraught with danger to those handling it, besides increasing the area requiring disinfection, while the possibilities of further Anthrax infection arising through the exposure of the carcase to dogs, &c., cannot be over-estimated.

A microscopical examination of the blood of the carcase is made on the spot, and if the "Bacillus Anthracis" is found the natural openings of the cadaver are at once plugged with material soaked in disinfectants. Arrangements are then made immediately for the removal of the carcase in its entirety in the special iron box provided for that purpose by motor lorry to Omoa Knackery. Here it is lifted by crane into an upright digester capable of receiving the carcase without mutilation. In the digester it is subjected for six hours or so to superheated steam under a pressure of 50 lbs. per square inch. This reduces everything to a powder —a barrowload of residue being got from a large bullock carcase— which is then thrown into a furnace and consumed. The anthrax box after use on every occasion is thoroughly disinfected.

At the farm, instructions are given according to the needs of the case regarding feeding of animals, disinfection of persons, utensils, premises, &c., the latter being, of course, supervised and carried out by the police as soon as possible after the Veterinary Inspector has notified them of the outbreak. All the usual disinfection is done at the expense of the Local Authority, though they have power to charge the owner with the cost of any extra disinfection required through his own act.

When it has happened that the hands and clothing of one or more people have been soiled with the bacilli-laden blood through careless handling of the carcase (which is usually exuding bloody discharge from the natural openings) or through an attempt having been made to salve the flesh of the dying animal, the Veterinary Inspector sees that the people are disinfected before leaving the farm, instruct them to look out for the earliest signs of Anthrax in their persons for seven days, and in the event of any suspicion to come direct to the County Laboratory for serum treatment. In all such cases notice of what has occurred is given to the County Medical Officer who takes care to have a fresh supply of serum in readiness. The County Veterinary Inspector is not aware that human infection has occurred in connection with any of these fifty cases, though, in several instances, there has been gross pollution of persons and their clothing with anthrax blood.

When the disinfection of the premises has been carried out to the satisfaction of the County Veterinary Inspector, and it is apparent after seven days that the other animals on the farm are in good health, he advises the withdrawal of restrictions.

With two exceptions, only *one* animal has died in each of the forty-eight outbreaks that have occurred since January 1st, 1911. Each of the exceptions involved two animals only. The limitation of fatality to one animal in 96 per cent. of our outbreaks is no doubt in some measure attributable to the instant attention which is given to every reported death within the jurisdiction of the Local Authority, the speedy removal of the anthrax carcase, the destruction of combustible; the burial in disinfectants of all other material that has been in contact with the carcase; and the immediate and thorough disinfection of the premises.

To explain fully why outbreaks of Anthrax are almost invariably sporadic and do not become epidemic in these parts would require a detailed description of the characteristics and life history of the causal organism the "Bacillus Anthracis," &c. It is sufficient to say that the opinion of those best able to judge is, that a recurrence of the disease in this country on any premises is not often attributable to infection left by an antecedent case. The infection is rather deemed to exist in one or other of the imported artificial food-stuffs supplied to the animals. There is abundant evidence of a circumstantial nature to confirm the reliability of this opinion though positive proof by demonstration is lacking. Sir John M'Fadyean isolated the anthrax germ from imported oats in the case of Denny *v.* Covington, and it is said that Dunstan demonstrated experimentally that feeding cake may contain the spores of Anthrax, but no other authentic cases are known in this country. The examination of suspected food-stuffs at our laboratory has been so uniformly negative that a continuation of this research work is considered inadvisable unless in very special cases.

A summary of the quarterly incidence of Anthrax throughout the Kingdom, by Sir Stewart Stockman (Chief Veterinary Officer to the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries), shows that there is a marked and constant drop in the number of outbreaks in the third quarter of each year when animals are on grass, while there is a decided rise when animals may be assumed to be in and receiving artificial food.

The occurrence of Anthrax outbreaks in this county is corroborative of this as the following table will show:—

QUARTERLY OCCURRENCE OF OUTBREAKS IN LANARKSHIRE.

	1st Quarter.	2nd Quarter.	3rd Quarter.	4th Quarter.
1911, ...	3	3	2	3
1912, ...	8	3	3	3
1913, ...	1	2	1	10
	12	8	6	16

1914—January, 3 outbreaks; February, 3 outbreaks.

The incidence of our outbreaks may be further analysed according to the recognised and essentially grazing and non-grazing, or artificial feeding periods of the year in this county as follows, dividing the year into two periods of six months:—

GRAZING PERIOD.

From May 1st to October 31st, 1911, ...	6	outbreaks.
Do. do., 1912, ...	5	do.
Do. do., 1913, ...	4	do.
	15	

NON-GRAZING PERIOD.

From November 1st, 1911, to April 30th, 1912, ...	12	outbreaks.
Do., 1912, do., 1913,	4	do.
Do., 1913, to February 28th, 1914,	17	do.
	33	

The paucity of outbreaks in the winter of 1912-13 may be attributable to a less than usual infectivity of the artificial food stuffs in use during that season, probably because they may have been got in greater measure from countries where Anthrax is not very prevalent. There is no direct evidence regarding this, but it happens not uncommonly that the source of supply of cereals of an antecedent year is completely closed to this country for the next season, the crop being diverted to other countries through "cornering" by contractors.

It should be noted that the bulk of the cereals fed to bovines in this country come from tropical countries where Anthrax is often epidemic, because the climatic conditions there fulfil the requirements of the Anthrax germ for sporulation, the formation of spores being nature's method of ensuring the continuation of the species. The grain may carry the infection (Anthrax spores) from where it is grown through the infectivity of the soil, or become infected as cargo through contact with hides salved from Anthrax carcases, and exported to this country in grain-carrying ships.

In only three of the fifty cases was it declared by the owner that no artificial food had been supplied recently to the victim, and in two of these there had been an antecedent case—in one instance but seven days before, and here the owner was grossly careless—while, in the other, one and a-half years had intervened, and as the cow's neighbours were cake-fed she probably got some when in at the milking time. In the third, there was no history of a former outbreak on the premises, and the probability is that the animal had unknown access to infective foreign food-stuffs, or that the home-grown material eaten by the animal got the taint in some way from imported artificial manure.

Ten out of the fifty cases occurred when the animal was fed with only one kind of artificial food. In the remainder a mixture of food-stuffs had been in use.

TABLE 1.

Outbreaks associated with the use of only *one* artificial food-stuff occurred as follows :—

Bean Meal, ...	3 cases.
Bombay Cotton Cake, ...	2 ,,
Bibby's Cake and Meal, ...	2 ,,
Linseed Cake, ...	2 ,,
Indian Pea Meal, ...	2 ,,
Improved Cotton Cake, ...	1 case.
Dun Pea Meal, ...	1 ,,
Carnosine, ...	1 ,,
Grain, ...	1 ,,
Eclipse Cake, ...	1 ,,
Total, ...	16 cases.

TABLE 2.

This shows the relation of the use of individual food-stuffs in combination with others (one or more) to the occurrence of Anthrax outbreaks.

The rations consisted in part of—

Bombay Cotton Cake	in 11 outbreaks.
Egyptian Bean Meal	,, 10 ,,
Indian Grey Pea Meal	,, 9 ,,
Linseed Cake, Meal or Chaff	,, 8 ,,
Bibby Cake and Meal	,, 6 ,,
Compound Cake	,, 5 ,,
Cotton Cake (other kinds)	,, 5 ,,
Dun Pea Meal	,, 4 ,,
Eclipse Cake	,, 3 ,,
Carnosine	,, 3 ,,
Grain	,, 2 ,,
White Pea Meal	,, 2 ,,
Soya Cake and Meal	,, 2 ,,
Smyrna Bean Meal	,, 2 ,,
Main & Co.'s Nutted Cake	,, 1 outbreak.
Rice Meal	,, 1 ,,
Silcock's Meal and Cake	,, 1 ,,
Calthorpe's Meal	,, 1 ,,
Cross's Scotia Cake	,, 1 ,,
Albion Cake	,, 1 ,,

Of the forty-eight outbreaks, twenty-two occurred in the Upper Ward, twenty-one in the Middle Ward, and five in the Lower Ward.

The fifty victims included queys (11), bulls (4), bullocks (5), cows, 3½ years old and under (12); cows, 4 years old and over (18), eleven of the latter being less than 5 years old. In only two cases was the victim over 7 years of age. Within the period 1st January, 1911, to 28th February, 1914, no known case of Anthrax has occurred in this County in animals other than bovines.

Forty-two of the forty-eight outbreaks occurred on premises on which the disease had not hitherto been reported.

One of the two outbreaks involving two animals occurred in the Middle Ward, and one in the Lower Ward.

That only one animal contracted infection in 96 per cent. of outbreaks is at first sight surprising seeing that in every instance others had been simultaneously fed with the same suspected rations. This would almost suggest an absence of any general infection in the material eaten, so that only the victim got a portion that could produce Anthrax. That is, however, a most unlikely theory, and the immunity of the others is rather to be attributed to the absence of any lesion in their alimentary tract whereon the spores contained in the food might find a suitable nidus for inoculation and the hatching out of the deadly and rapidly multiplying bacilli.

The frequent teething sores of animals under 4 years of age may, to some extent, explain the apparently greater predisposition of young animals to become infected, and we believe that when the lining (Mucous) membrane of the whole alimentary tract is intact an animal is not likely to become infected by the ingestion of food containing Anthrax spores.

HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S.,
County Veterinary Inspector.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *March*, 1914.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

22nd April, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd April, 1914, being a Special Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of Lanark, as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
Gavin Hamilton.
John Hurll.
William K. Jackson.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Chairman.

Mr. Templeton, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling meeting.

Animals (Landing from Ireland) Amendment Order of 1914 (No. 5).

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a copy of the Animals (Landing from Ireland) Amendment Order of 1914 (No. 5), dated 17th April, authorising the landing of store cattle from Ireland at certain ports in Great Britain, including the ports of Ayr, Greenock, and Stranraer, subject to the condition that the animals shall not be moved from the landing-place until the expiration of 96 hours after the landing, and, further, that where the animals are moved from the landing-place to other premises they shall be there detained and isolated, under the supervision of the Local Authority, for a period of fourteen days.

Recent outbreaks of disease in Ireland.—Telegram from Board.

The Clerk submitted and read the following telegram, which he had received from the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries in reply to one which he had addressed to the Board inquiring as to the most recent outbreaks of disease in Ireland, viz.:—

> "Replying your telegram yesterday regarding foot-and-mouth "disease in Ireland, last outbreak of disease occurred on 12th instant, "in Tipperary County. An Order of Irish Department prohibits move- "ment of animals out of a great portion of southern half of Ireland."

Map submitted.

The Clerk also laid before the meeting a map of Ireland, showing approximately the portion of Ireland from which store cattle would be permitted, under the Order above referred to, to be imported into Great Britain.

Meeting resolve to make Regulations.

After full consideration, the meeting expressed the opinion that the action of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries in allowing the importation of store cattle from Ireland into Great Britain under the existing circumstances was premature, and unanimously resolved that Regulations be made prohibiting (1) the movement of animals landed from Ireland into the district of this Local Authority, and (2) the movement of animals from the district of any Local Authority in England, Scotland, or Wales admitting animals landed from Ireland under the provisions of the Order above mentioned, the Regulations to take effect as of to-morrow's date.

Conference of Local Authorities at Edinburgh.—Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk having stated that, in accordance with the understanding come to with the other Local Authorities for the Southern Counties of Scotland, he had convened a Conference of representatives of those Local Authorities, to be held in Edinburgh the following day to consider the situation. It was agreed to delay publication of Regulations until the Conference had been informed of the resolution arrived at.

Regulations framed.

A copy of the Regulations, as framed by the Clerk and made by the Committee, forms an appendix to this minute.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

REGULATIONS MADE BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894-1911.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Executive Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark, as the Local Authority for said County under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894-1911, have, in virtue of the powers conferred upon them under the said Acts and the Foot-and-Mouth Disease Order of 1895, made the following Regulations, viz.:—

1. The movement into the district of the Local Authority of the County of Lanark of animals landed in Great Britain from Ireland, after the twenty-first day of April, Nineteen hundred and fourteen, or animals which have been in contact with any such animals landed in Great Britain as aforesaid, is prohibited.

2. From and after the twenty-seventh current no animals shall be moved into the district of the County of Lanark from the district of any other Local Authority in Scotland, England, or Wales, that has not made Regulations similar in effect to the Regulations hereby made.

3. Under these Regulations the expression "animals" means cattle, sheep, goats, and all other ruminating animals and swine.

Dated at Hamilton, this twenty-third day of April, Nineteen hundred and fourteen.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

N.B.—If any animal is moved in contravention of the above Regulations, the owner of the animal and the person for the time being in charge thereof, and the person causing, directing, or permitting the movement, and the person moving or conveying the animal, and the consignee or other person receiving or keeping it, knowing it to have been moved in contravention as aforesaid, and the occupier of the place from which the animal is moved, shall each, according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 29th April, 1914.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN.	WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES CAMERON.	JAMES C. POLLOK.
GAVIN HAMILTON.	JAMES PRENTICE.
JOHN HURLL.	WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
WILLIAM K. JACKSON.	DAVID THOMSON.

THOMAS WATT.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, Chief Constable of the County.
HUGH BEGG, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of meetings.

The minutes of the meetings of the committee, of dates 25th March and 22nd April, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Minutes of Sub-Committee.

There were also submitted to the meeting the minutes of the sub-committee, of date 15th April (Appendix I.), appointed with reference to alleged contraventions of the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, which had also been printed and sent to each member of the committee, and the same were approved of.

Foot and Mouth Disease.—Minutes of Conference of Local Authorities.

The Clerk laid before the meeting minutes of Conference (Appendix II.) of Local Authorities of the Southern Counties of Scotland, held at Edinburgh on 23rd April, on the subject of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, and he stated that a print of the minutes had been sent to each member of the committee.

Communications from Board of Agriculture.

The Clerk reported to the meeting the purport of telegrams which had passed between him and the Board of Agriculture following upon the conference.

Orders of Board of Agriculture.

The Clerk laid before the meeting various Orders made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries relating to Foot-and-Mouth Disease, including one providing that Glasgow shall cease to be a port at which fat cattle from Ireland may be landed for the purpose of slaughter, and including that port amongst those at which store cattle from Ireland may be landed.

Statement in House of Commons.

The Clerk referred to a statement made by Mr. T. W. Russell in the House of Commons on the 27th current, to the effect that other two cases had occurred in the Thurles district, and also that a fresh outbreak had occurred at Fermoy, in County Cork.

Counties who have adopted regulations.

The Clerk stated that the following County Local Authorities in the South of Scotland had adopted Regulations similar in effect to those made by this Local Authority, viz.:—Ayr, Berwick, Dumfries, Dunbarton, Haddington, Kirkcudbright, Midlothian, Peebles, Renfrew, Roxburgh, and Selkirk.

Movement of Irish cattle from Greenock into County.—Request by Mr. William Robb, Cambuslang.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a request by Mr. William Robb, Cambuslang, for permission to move to his premises, at Flemington Farm, 50 head of cattle (back-end calving cows), which he had bought at Belfast on Tuesday, 21st current, and which were landed at the port of Greenock on the morning of the 22nd, the date on which the Order of the Board permitting the importation of Irish store cattle came into operation. The four days' quarantine expired on Sunday last, but the cattle were still confined in lairs at the port, Mr. Robb having been unable to get them disposed of.

Committee's decision.

The meeting, in view of the exceptional circumstances of the case, and having heard a statement by Mr. Robb, agreed that,—provided the other Local Authorities, acting in co-operation with this County, offered no objection,—to allow the movement of the cattle referred to, on the following conditions, viz.:—

(1) That the animals shall be detained at Greenock for a further period of three days as from 29th current;

(2) That they shall be examined at the port, and certified by the County Veterinary Inspector to be free from any suspicion of Foot-and-Mouth Disease; and

(3) That on reaching their destination they shall be completely isolated to the satisfaction of the County Veterinary Inspector, and kept separate from other animals for a further period of fourteen days.

Local Authorities acting in co-operation to be communicated with.

The Clerk was accordingly instructed to communicate with the Clerks to the several Local Authorities concerned, and to take such action as he saw fit on receiving replies from the Local Authorities.

Case of William Turnbull, Broomhouse.

The Clerk stated that he had been obliged to refuse a request by Mr. William Turnbull, Broomhouse, for permission to move 12 cattle from the Island of Islay to Daldowie Farm, owing to the fact that Argyllshire had not adopted Regulations, but he submitted a telegram which he had that morning received from the County Clerk of Argyllshire, intimating that his Local Authority had seen fit to make Regulations similar to those of this Local Authority. He had accordingly informed Mr. Turnbull that the movement of animals between the two Counties was now free from restriction.

Diseases of animals (Lanarkshire) Order 1907.—Notifications.

The Clerk reported that since the 25th March last 29 cases had been notified under the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, 5 of which had been certified to be cases of anthrax. The particulars of the anthrax cases were as follows, viz.:—

GREENLEESHILL FARM, CAMBUSLANG (Archibald Mason).

Anthrax.

9th April, 1914.—This is a case where two animals were affected: one a seven-year-old cow, which had been attended to by a local veterinary surgeon, who was of opinion that it was suffering from stomach trouble, and he advised the owner to dispose of it. The animal, however, died before removal, when the owner bled the carcase and sent it to Glasgow Slaughter-house. The case was there discovered to be one of anthrax, and was notified to this Local Authority. A few days following another animal (a two-year-old bullock) died, and on *post-mortem* it also was found to be affected with anthrax. The feeding consisted of grain meal and "nutrimol." There remain on the farm 48 cattle, 105 sheep, and 9 horses.

As relative to the above case, there was submitted police information against the owner for an alleged contravention of the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, but the meeting, having regard to the circumstances, instructed that no proceedings be taken.

COLLIELAW, LANARK (Jane Cooper).

8th April, 1914.—The animal affected in this case was a six-year-old cow-in-milk. The animal was bred on the farm, and the feeding consisted of Bombay cotton cake and white pea meal. There remain on the farm 26 cows and 1 bull.

TOFT'S FARM, DOUGLAS (Thomas Pate).

20th April, 1914.—The animal affected in this case was a two-year-old bullock, which had been ailing on the 18th April. On the following day it appeared to be dying, and was killed, bled, and dressed by a local butcher. On the 20th the carcase was examined by a local veterinary surgeon, who notified the case to the police. The persons who had handled the carcase were advised as to the precautions to be taken in the event of any signs of anthrax appearing on their persons. The feeding consisted of Silcock's cake and Egyptian cotton cake.

DRYFIELD KNACKERY, KIRKINTILLOCH.

This is a case where the carcase of a cow had been removed on the 26th March last from Aitken Barr Farm, in Dunbartonshire, to Dryfield Knackery, which is situated in this County. Suspicion having arisen that it was affected with anthrax, the case was notified to this Local Authority, and on *post-mortem* the Veterinary Inspector certified it to have been affected with that disease. The Dunbartonshire Authorities were informed of the case.

ANNIESTON FARM, SYMINGTON (James Hamilton).

26th April, 1914.—In this case the animal was a four-year-old cow in milk. The feeding consisted of Bombay cotton cake. The animal had been on the premises for eight months.

Veterinary Inspector's diagnosis confirmed by Board.

In each of the above cases the diagnosis of the County Veterinary Inspector had been confirmed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, the carcase destroyed, and the usual precautionary measures taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Withdrawal of restrictions.

The Clerk stated that the restrictions had been withdrawn in Nos. 1 and 3 cases above referred to, and also in the case of Newbigging Mill, Carnwath (Thomas Stewart), previously reported.

Parasitic Mange at Chapelton.

The Clerk reported that a case of parasitic mange had occurred at Shawtonhill, Chapelton (William Hamilton), the animals affected being a cob mare and a van mare, and that the usual precautionary measures had been taken to effect a cure and to prevent the spread of the disease.

Swine fever Infected Places.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting the following premises had been declared to be swine-fever infected places under the Swine Fever Order, viz.:—

(1) Jerviswood Farm, Lanark (Robert Mackie);
(2) Hartwood Home Farm, Dykehead (William Good, manager);
(3) Riggend, by Airdrie (Mrs. Agnes Downie or Shaw);

Withdrawal of restrictions.

and he further stated that the restrictions had been withdrawn in all the above cases, and also in the case of Hollandhurst (Marion Young or Sinclair), previously reported.

International Veterinary Congress.—Delegates appointed to attend.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Secretary of the International Veterinary Congress, inviting the appointment of delegates to attend the conference in London from 3rd to 8th August next.

As relative to the appointment of members to attend such conferences, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Secretary for Scotland, a copy of which is contained in the minutes of the Public Health Committee of this date.

The meeting, after consideration, appointed the Chairman, along with the Clerk and Veterinary Inspector, to attend the Congress as representing this Local Authority.

Wart Diseases of Potatoes.—Conference at Edinburgh.—Proposed deputation to Board of Agriculture.

The Chairman reported the proceedings at the conference held at Edinburgh on 23rd current on the subject of Wart Disease of Potatoes, and stated that the various Local Authorities represented thereat had agreed that a request be made to the President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to receive a deputation on the subject, and that he had been appointed a member of the deputation, subject to the approval of this Local Authority.

Meeting approve of deputation being appointed.

The meeting, after consideration, approved of the deputation being appointed, and authorised the chairman to act thereon as representing the County Council.

Suspected case of Wart Disease at Chryston.

The Clerk stated that the Veterinary Inspector had made inquiry into a suspected case of Wart Disease of Potatoes at Gartferry Mains, Chryston, but that on examination no trace of the disease could be found.

Appointment of Superintendent Walker as Inspector under Diseases of Animals Acts.

The meeting agreed to appoint Superintendent Walker, in room of Superintendent Moir, as the Inspector under the Diseases of Animals Acts for the Wishaw Division of the County.

Result of Prosecutions.

The Clerk reported that since the date of last meeting four prosecutions had been instituted in respect of contraventions of the Parasitic Mange Order, the Diseases of Animals (Lanarkshire) Order, and the Tuberculosis Order, and that in each case a conviction had been obtained, the fines imposed ranging from 10s. to 40s.

APPENDIX I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE *RE* TUBERCULOSIS ORDER OF 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 15th April, 1914, being a Meeting of a Sub-Committee appointed by the Executive Committee to deal with alleged contraventions of the Tuberculosis Order of 1913. 15th April, 1914.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
James Cameron.
James Prentice.
William Templeton.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk informed the sub-committee of the remit made to them by the Executive Committee, as contained in the minutes of that committee, of date 25th March, 1914. *Remit.*

There were laid before the meeting informations prepared by the police in connection with alleged contraventions of the Order, a synopsis of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee, setting forth briefly the circumstances of each case. *Alleged contraventions of Order.*

The meeting, after consideration, agreed that no proceedings be taken in any case the date of which was anterior to the publication of the results of the convictions already obtained in the Courts for contraventions of the Order.

The meeting, having gone over the informations in the remaining cases, instructed proceedings in the following, viz.:— *Proceedings to be taken in certain cases.*

(1) Hugh Barr, Moorfoot Farm, Carstairs.
(2) John Smart, Collierhall Farm, Douglas.
(3) Thomas Macfarlane, Glenhove Farm, Greengairs.
(4) James Logan, Cameron Farm, Greengairs.
(5) Thomas Leiper, Allanton, Old Mill, Shotts.

The Clerk was instructed to address a letter of warning in each of the following cases, viz.:— *Letter of warning in certain cases.*

(1) Mary Barrie or Torrance, Watsonhead Farm, Newmains; and
(2) William Smillie, Heatheryknowe Farm, Bargeddie.

Proposal to slaughter animal belonging to Mrs. Miller, High Miller Street, Larkhall.

The Clerk stated that he had received a report from the County Veterinary Inspector regarding the case of a cow belonging to Mrs. Miller, High Miller Street, Larkhall, the particulars of which were as follows, viz.:—

11th March, 1914.—On making inspection of dairy herds, Mr. Begg detected on these premises a three-year-old heifer, which he suspected to be suffering from tuberculosis with emaciation.

The clinical evidence of lung disease was most marked, but as the case was not an "open" one, and as the owner indicated her unwillingness to part with the animal, Mr. Begg decided to apply the tuberculin test, and this was done after some difficulty, on account of the reluctance of the owner to give her consent.

The first test was indecisive, but on the test being again applied on 8th April, the animal showed a well-confirmed reaction. Accordingly, Mrs. Miller was, on 9th April, served with a notice of intention to slaughter the animal.

The animal in question is one of two in the same wooden byre, and although three years old has never been on grass nor has it been put to the bull. The animal's feet are greatly overgrown from want of wear, and the owner seems to keep it as a pet. Mrs. Miller having intimated that she objects to the slaughter of the animal, the Board have been asked for their special authority, as required by the Order.

A note of the proposed valuation has been sent to Mrs. Miller, but it is not known whether she will agree to it. In the event of her objecting, it will be necessary to appoint some neutral person to make a valuation.

The meeting agreed that, assuming the Board gave their special authority to slaughter the animal, and in the event of Mrs. Miller objecting to the valuation of Mr. Begg, it should be left to the Clerk and the County Veterinary Inspector to nominate a valuator should this be necessary.

APPENDIX II.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE

OF

REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES OF THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES OF SCOTLAND ON THE SUBJECT OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

At EDINBURGH, and within the County Rooms, there, upon *Thursday*, 23*rd April*, 1914, being a Conference of Local Authorities of the Southern Counties of Scotland on the subject of Foot-and-Mouth Disease. 23rd April, 1914.

Present—

As representing :—

BERWICK—
Alex. Smith.

DUMFRIES—
H. Cavan Irving.
John Robson, County Clerk.

DUNBARTON—
W. Craig.

HADDINGTON—
Thos. Elder.
John D. Watson, County Clerk.

KIRKCUDBRIGHT—
William Maxwell.
Adam Brown, County Clerk.

LANARK—
Colonel King Stewart.
Colonel Buchanan.
William Templeton.
Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S.
Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk.

MIDLOTHIAN—
Rt. Hon. the Earl of Stair.
J. M'Hutchen Dobbie.
A. G. G. Asher, County Clerk.

PEEBLES—
J. Ramsay Smith, County Clerk.

RENFREW—
Robert C. Young.
Ja. Caldwell, County Clerk.

ROXBURGH—
J. S. Johnston.

SELKIRK—

Alex. F. Roberts.

STIRLING—

John Edmond.
James Learmonth, County Clerk.

There also attended representatives from the following counties, viz:—

FIFE—

David Ferrie.

FORFAR—

W. T. Farquhar.

KINROSS—

William Tod.

PERTH—

Wm. Henderson.

Clerk of Conference.

Sir Thomas Munro (Lanarkshire) acted as Clerk of the Conference.

Appointment of Chairman.

On the motion of Mr. Templeton (Lanarkshire), Mr. J. M'Hutchen Dobbie (Midlothian) was appointed Chairman.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the Conference, which, he stated, he had sent to the Local Authorities of the following Counties, viz.:—Ayr, Berwick, Dumbarton, Dumfries, Midlothian, Haddington, Kirkcudbright, Linlithgow, Peebles, Renfrew, Roxburgh, Selkirk, Stirling, Wigtown.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of the Conference held at Glasgow on 9th ultimo, which had been printed and sent to the various Local Authorities above mentioned, were laid before the meeting.

Animals (Landing from Ireland) Order of 1914 (No. 5).

The Clerk submitted to the meeting copy of the Animals (Landing from Ireland) Amendment Order of 1914, No. 5, dated 17th April, authorising the landing of store cattle from Ireland at certain ports in Great Britain, including the ports of Ayr, Greenock, and Stranraer, subject to the condition that the animals shall not be moved from the landing place until the expiration of 96 hours after the landing, and, further, that where the animals are moved from the landing place to other premises they shall be there detained and isolated, under the supervision of the Local Authority, for a period of 14 days.

Re-opening of port of Glasgow.

The Clerk stated that there appeared, in to-day's newspaper, intimation to the effect that the Board of Agriculture had also agreed to reopen the port of Glasgow for the importation of Irish store cattle, and that the Order would take effect on Saturday.

Recent outbreaks of disease in Ireland—Letter from Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

The Clerk submitted and read the following letter, which he had received in reply to a telegram addressed by him to the Board of Agriculture, enquiring as to the most recent outbreaks of disease in Ireland, viz.:—

"Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,
"4 Whitehall Place,
"London, S.W., 22nd April, 1914.

No. A. 6309/1914.

"Sir,

"I am directed by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to refer to your telegram of the 21st instant, as to Foot-and-Mouth Disease in Ireland, and, with regard to the telegraphic reply sent by the Board thereto to-day, I am to explain that during the last fortnight there have been two outbreaks of the disease in Ireland, namely, on the 10th and 12th instant, both occurring in the locality of Thurles, in County Tipperary, and that the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland issued an Order, on the 25th ult., operating on the 27th ult., the effect of which was to prohibit the movement of animals, by sea or by land, from the southern part of Ireland into the northern part of Ireland. The boundary line between these two areas is approximately represented by a line joining the following towns:—Drogheda, Navan, Oldcastle, Finnea, Mullingar, Moate, Athlone, Ballinasloe, Athenry, and Oranmore.

"I am, &c.,

A. W. ANSTRUTHER.

Statement in House of Commons.

Reference was made by the Clerk to answers given by Mr. T. W. Russell, on behalf of the Irish Department of Agriculture, to questions relating to the area to which the Order above referred to would apply, and also to his statement of the intention to open the port of Dublin at an early date.

Map submitted.

There was submitted to the meeting a map of Ireland, showing approximately the portion of Ireland from which store cattle would be permitted, under the Order, to be imported into Great Britain.

Letters from County Clerks of Ayr and Roxburgh.

The Clerk read to the meeting letters which he had received from the County Clerks of Ayr and Roxburgh, which were as follows:—

"County Buildings,
"Ayr, 21st April, 1914.

"Dear Sir,

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

"I have to thank you for your letter of 20th instant, and for telegram of same date. The representatives of this Local Authority do not propose to be present at the meeting on Thursday, because they are satisfied with the Order, and they do not think that any further expense should now be incurred.

"Yours, &c.,

"JAMES E. SHAW."

"County Clerk's Office,
"Kelso, 22nd April, 1914.

"Dear Sir,

"FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

"I regret that, owing to a previous engagement, I am unable to attend the meeting in Edinburgh to-morrow, convened by you for the purpose of discussing the present situation with regard to the above disease as it affects the Counties in the south-east of Scotland. The matter has been considered

by the Emergency Committee of the Executive Committee of the Local Authority of this County, and the Emergency Committee were unanimously of opinion that it is undesirable, in the interests of the Border sheep-farming Counties, that Irish store cattle should be admitted at the present time. The Emergency Committee recognises that a certain amount of inconvenience may be experienced by agriculturists and graziers on account of any difficulty which may be caused in the way of procuring of grazing cattle, but the Committee are of opinion that, as regards the district they represent, it is of first importance that no risks should be incurred which would very probably have the effect of injuring the trade in sheep, which in this district is much more important than that in cattle, and such risk would be incurred even although the disease did not break out, because, if stores are to be admitted from Ireland, other Authorities in Scotland and England will in all probability make Orders excluding sheep from admission to their areas. This, of course, would have the effect of ruining the market for lambs, draft ewes, and others, which represent the staple output of this district.

"It is hoped that a representative will be able to attend from this County to explain the above views, and the position will be reconsidered after the result of to-morrow's Conference is known, but in the meantime the position of this County is reserved.

"I am, &c.,

"J. STORMONTH DARLING,
Joint County Clerk.

Attitude of Lanarkshire Local Authority.—Statement by Sir Thomas Munro

The meeting having proceeded to discuss the question, Sir Thomas Munro stated that, at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Lanarkshire Local Authority held the previous day, that committee, after very full consideration of the whole circumstances, resolved to make regulations prohibiting the movement of Irish store cattle into their district, but delayed giving public intimation thereof pending the result of this Conference, in the hope that, if any other of the Local Authorities proposed to take similar action, uniform regulations might, so far as that is possible, be adopted, in order to avoid the inconvenience that the issue of regulations differing in detail had given rise to in the past.

Question of framing uniform Regulations. — Remit to County Clerks present.

During the discussion which followed, there was a consensus of opinion amongst the representatives of the various Local Authorities present that the action of the Board in permitting the importation of Irish store cattle was, under the existing circumstances, premature. Certain representatives having stated that their respective Local Authorities had not yet had an opportunity of considering the matter in the light of recent developments, it was agreed that individual Local Authorities were not to be held committed to the views expressed, but it was remitted to Sir Thomas Munro, in consultation with the other County Clerks present, to frame regulations for the consideration of those Local Authorities that might resolve to make restrictive regulations.

It was agreed that the Clerk should, at the same time, enquire of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries whether, in the event of any Local Authority agreeing, by way of an alternative to making regulations, to request the Board to refrain from issuing licences authorising the movement of store cattle landed from Ireland into their respective Districts, the Board would be prepared to give effect to such request.

Suggested Regulations to be sent to Local Authorities approving of views expressed.

Sir Thomas Munro undertook to transmit, without delay, to the Clerks of the several Local Authorities invited to the Conference the suggested Regulations as adjusted by him and the other County Clerks present, in order that such Local Authorities who concurred in the views expressed at the Conference might be in a position to make regulations at as early a date as possible.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 6th May, 1914, being a Meeting of the Executive Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark as Local Authority under the Diseases of Animals Acts. 6th May, 1914.

Present—

William Barr.	Andrew Murdoch.
John Hurll.	James Prentice.
William K. Jackson.	William Sym.
John M. Loudon.	William Templeton.
William Love.	David Thomson.

Attending—

Hugh Begg, F.R.C.V.S., County Veterinary Inspector.

Mr. Templeton, Chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from the Convener, Vice-Convener, Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., and Sir Thomas Munro. *Apologies for absence.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk stated that he had communicated with the Clerks of the County Local Authorities acting in co-operation in the matter of Foot-and-Mouth Disease Regulations, in regard to the proposal to allow Mr. William Robb, Cambuslang, to move the fifty Irish cattle from Greenock to his premises at Flemington Farm, but that, as some of the replies were unsatisfactory, he had been obliged to intimate to Mr. Robb that this Local Authority had no alternative but to refuse his request. *Case of Mr. William Robb.—Result of communications addressed to several Local Authorities.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a telegram which he had just received from the Board of Agriculture in reply to a communication addressed to the Board, stating that no further cases of disease in Ireland had been notified since the cases referred to by Mr. T. W. Russell in his statement in the House of Commons on 27th ultimo. *Outbreaks of disease.—Telegram from Board of Agriculture.*

The Clerk informed the meeting that there was to be a further Conference of Local Authorities of the Southern Counties in Scotland, to be held at Edinburgh the following day, to review the situation, and to consider certain difficulties which had arisen consequent upon different views being taken as to the meaning and effect of Regulation No. 2 in regard to the admission of animals into districts of Local Authorities who had made regulations on or before 27th April, from districts of Local Authorities who had not made regulations until after that date. *Further conference of Local Authorities of Southern Counties.*

With regard to the last-mentioned point, the Clerk stated his opinion that, under the existing regulations, animals may be admitted to districts closed on or before 27th ultimo, from districts in which the regulations had been made subsequent to that date, and that he had acted upon this view. The meeting approved. *Position of Lanarkshire.—Statement by Clerk.*

Question of revocation of regulations.

The meeting having considered the question as to when the regulations might be revoked, there was a consensus of opinion in favour of the revocation of same in about a fortnight's time, provided that no further outbreaks of disease occurred in the interval.

Representatives to attend conference.

The meeting appointed the Chairman, the Convener, the Vice-Convener, Mr. W. K. Jackson, and Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., along with the Clerk and Veterinary Inspector, to attend the Conference as representing this Local Authority.

Second Portion.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

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TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE

STATUTORY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 14th January, 1914, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 14th January 1914.

Present—

John Adam.
James Anderson.
William Bell.
Colonel Buchanan.
James H. Fenton
George Fraser.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart, M.V.O.
William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
William Speirs,
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Chairman.

The Clerk having submitted an excerpt from the minutes of meeting of the County Council, of date 7th January, 1914, containing the appointment of the Committee, and a copy of the notice calling the meeting. the meeting resolved to proceed with the appointment of a Chairman of the Committee, when Mr. George Fraser was unanimously elected Chairman, and took the chair. Mr. Fraser thanked the Committee for the honour conferred by his unanimous re-election as Chairman.

Quorum.

The Committee fixed the quorum at five.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 27th November, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council on 17th December, were signed by the Chairman.

Lanarkshire Gas Order.

The Clerk reported that this Order had been deposited on 17th December last; that the necessary statutory requirements had been complied with; that the time for lodging Memorials against such compliance had expired on 7th current without any objections on the General Orders having been lodged; and that the last date for lodging Petitions against the Order was 28th current.

The Clerk further reported that communications had been received from the Agents for the Bothwell and Uddingston Gas Company, Limited, and the Town Councils of Hamilton and Wishaw as to the meaning and effect of certain provisions in the Order; that in reply he had afforded explanations and information on the points raised; and that he would report later to the Committee should, as he did not anticipate, any question of difficulty be raised.

Motherwell Burgh Extension Bill.

There was submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell suggesting that a meeting between his Parliamentary Bills Committee and this Committee might take place to discuss in a friendly way, and without prejudice, the terms of the Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Bill.

The Clerk stated that he had acknowledged the letter and informed the Town-Clerk that he would submit it to his Committee.

The Committee having been reminded of the previous negotiations which had taken place with the Town Council of Motherwell, unanimously agreed to accede to the request of the Town Council for a meeting, and instructed the Clerk to arrange a suitable date with the Town-Clerk.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order.

There was submitted a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, dated 30th ultimo, suggesting a meeting between the Corporation Sub-Committee and a Sub-Committee of the County Council to discuss the terms of the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order.

It was unanimously agreed to accede to the suggestion for a meeting with representatives of the Corporation of Glasgow, and that at this meeting there should be present in addition to representatives of this Committee representatives of the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards.

In this connection the Clerk reported that the Lower Ward District Committee had already appointed representatives from their number to act on any joint-committee which might be appointed to deal with this Order, and that the Middle Ward District Committee were, he understood, similarly appointing representatives from their own number at a meeting to-day,

It was also agreed that the Town Council of Coatbridge should be invited to send representatives to the meeting of the joint-committee to be held prior to the conference with Glasgow, so as to afford the opportunity sought by the Town Council of laying their views before the County Council.

The Committee appointed the following members to act on the proposed joint-committee, viz. —

John Adam.
James Anderson.
Colonel Buchanan.
George Fraser.
Joseph Sullivan.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
A. D. Mack.
J. C. Pollok.
William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.

In connection with the Water provisions of the Order, a letter was read from Messrs. Pearson, Robertson, & Findlay, W.S., Edinburgh, Agents for Mr. Carnegie of Stronvar, enclosing a copy of a Report by Messrs. J. A. Leslie & Reid, C.E., Edinburgh, on the Glasgow Corporation Water Scheme.

The Committee were of opinion that the County Council had no locus entitling them to object to the Corporation's Water proposals, and that consequently it was inexpedient for them to deal with the subject matter of the report.

The Clerk, having briefly indicated several questions raised by the Order in addition to those relating to the Tramways, he stated that in the meantime, to preserve the Council's position, he was preparing a Petition against the Order, which would be lodged in due course. The meeting approved.

Provisional Orders.

There were laid before the meeting prints of the following Provisional Orders viz. :—

Glasgow Corporation.
Clyde Navigation.

Glasgow Corporation Order.

The Clerk explained that in the Glasgow Corporation Order the only clauses which seemed of interest to the County Council were Clauses 53 and 54.

Under clause 53 it was proposed to disjoin from the County of Renfrew and add to the County of Lanark the portions of the County of Renfrew near Halfway House which were annexed to the City in 1909.

Clause 54 proposed that, for the purpose of the registration of writs, the portion of the Parish of Rutherglen annexed to the City by the Act of 1889, the portion of the Parishes of Paisley and Eastwood annexed to the City by the Act of 1909 and transferred by clause 53 from the County of Renfrew to the County of Lanark, and the portions of the Parishes of Cathcart, Eastwood, Renfrew, and New Kilpatrick annexed to the City by the Act of 1912 and transferred by section 6 of that Act from the Counties of Renfrew and Dunbarton to the County of Lanark, should be included in and form part of the Barony and Regality of Glasgow.

These proposals, which had already been before this Committee on 25th June, 1913, were, it was understood, put forward mainly at the instigation of the Faculty of Procurators in Glasgow for the convenience of the profession, and did not seem to be open to objection.

Under clauses 60 and 61 of the Order it was proposed to confirm an Agreement between the Corporation and the Fairfield Engineering Company, Limited, whereby the Corporation agreed to sell to the Fairfield Company for a payment of £5,000, the right-of-way along the south bank of the River Clyde *ex adverso* of that Company's yard and extending from near Holm Street to near Holmfauld Road, Govan, a distance of 857 yards.

In this connection a letter was read from Mr. J. S. Bannatyne, agent for the Riverside Right-of-Way Defence Committee, enclosing copy of a pamphlet issued by the Committee, and requesting that the Council should exercise the powers conferred on them by Section 42 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894.

The Clerk informed the Committee that, owing to the recent transfer of the South Govan area to the Burgh of Renfrew, the County Council did not seem to have any jurisdiction in the matter, and that this had been communicated to Mr. Bannatyne.

In the circumstances, the Committee did not consider it necessary to take any action with reference to the Glasgow Corporation Order.

Clyde Navigation Order.

The Clerk reported that the provisions of the Clyde Navigation Order did not seem in any way to touch the interests of the County Council, and that in the case of this Order also nothing required to be done.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

21st January, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 21st January, 1914, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	A. D. Mack.
William Bell.	James C. Pollock.
Colonel Buchanan.	Gavin A. Shanks.
James H. Fenton.	William Speirs.
George Fraser.	Joseph Sullivan.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
*William Love.	James Tonner.

and the following additional members of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee, appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, 1914—

William Gardner.	James Kelly.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	James Prentice.

Daniel Sym.

Attending—

A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the Committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, prints of which had been sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Additional members on Joint Committee with reference to Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill.

On the minutes being approved of, it was unanimously agreed that there should be added to the Joint-Committee, consisting of representatives of this Committee and of the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards, appointed to attend a meeting with Glasgow Corporation, with reference to the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill. the names of Messrs. William Love and Gavin A. Shanks.

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, 1914.
Conference with representatives of Motherwell Town Council.

The Clerk stated that a deputation from the Town Council of Motherwell was in attendance, by arrangement, in order to discuss the proposals of the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill. The Clerk also reminded the Committee that notes, explanatory of the provisions of the Bill, had been issued to the members of the Committee on 4th June, 1913. and for the information of the new members he explained, in some detail, the proposals embodied in the Bill.

The deputation from Motherwell Town Council was then invited to enter the meeting when the Chairman of the Committee thanked them for their attendance, and stated that his Committee would be glad to discuss the Town Council's proposals in a friendly spirit, and without prejudice to the position of either party.

Thereafter the members of the Motherwell deputation put before the Committee, the views of the Town Council as to the desirability, if possible, of arriving at an amicable settlement of the questions raised by the Bill, and indicated how far the Motherwell Town Council would be prepared to go in the direction of a compromise.

* Mr. Love is also a member of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Sewage and Purification Bill, 1914.

After a mutual exchange of views the chairman of the Committee again thanked the members of the Motherwell Town Council for meeting with the Committee, and stated that the views expressed by the deputation would have his Committee's most careful consideration. The chairman of the deputation having thanked the Committee for receiving them, the deputation withdrew.

It was thereafter agreed to continue consideration of the proposals by the Town Council of Motherwell until the next meeting of the Committee, and, meantime, the Clerk undertook to prepare notes explanatory of the present position of the matter.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, *upon Wednesday, 28th January*, 1914, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 28th January, 1914.

Present—

William Bell.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	James C. Pollok.
James H Fenton.	Gavin A. Shanks.
George Fraser.	Joseph Sullivan.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
*William Love.	Colonel King Stewart.

William Templeton.

And the following additional members of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, 1914 :—

William Gardner.	James Kelly.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	James Prentice.

Daniel Sym.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Mr. George Fraser, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, prints of which had been sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were, after an adjustment of the sederunt, approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that the time for lodging petitions against this Order had expired to-day, and that, so far, petitions had been lodged by the Burgh of Hamilton, the Burgh of Motherwell, and the Motherwell Gas Company, Limited (Joint petition), and by the Carfin, Newarthill, Cleland and District Gas Company, Limited. *Lanarkshire Gas Order.*

The Clerk explained generally the points raised in these petitions, and stated that, if necessary, a detailed memorandum on the subject would be submitted to the Committee at a later date.

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* Mr. Love is also a member of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill.

He also reported that the only other objectors to the proposed Order were the Bothwell and Uddingston Gas Company, Limited, and the Burgh of Wishaw. The explanations given to the Agents of the Bothwell and Uddingston Gas Company had apparently satisfied that Company. The Town Council of Wishaw's objection was based on the apprehension that the passing of the Order might affect their interests injuriously as regards the Netherton Special Lighting District within which the Town Council had been supplying gas, and the Town Council were anxious to have an undertaking that, in the event of the District Committee taking over the supply of gas in that district, the Burgh would receive some consideration for the value of the pipes laid by them for supplying the district.

It was agreed to leave the question of any adjustment to be made with the Town Council of Wishaw in the hands of the Chairman and Clerk, along with Mr. Whyte.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.,) Order.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that a remit had been made to a Joint Sub-Committee of this Committee, and of representatives of the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards to meet with the representatives of the Corporation of Glasgow regarding the opposition of the County Council and these District Committees. It had now been arranged that the Conference with the Corporation's representatives should take place on Wednesday, 4th proximo, and in view of this it would be advisable to have a preliminary meeting of the Committee to which the representatives of the Burgh of Coatbridge could be invited.

After some discussion, it was agreed that in the first instance, the members of the Joint Sub-Committee should make an inspection of the routes of the proposed new tramways, on Saturday, 31st current, commencing from the County Buildings, Glasgow, at 11.30 a.m., and that a meeting to which representatives of the Town Council of Coatbridge should be invited, should be held prior to the conference with the Glasgow representatives at 2 p.m. on 4th proximo.

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, 1914.

The Committee resumed consideration of this matter, when there was submitted a Memorandum prepared by the Clerk on the proposals for compromise made by the representatives of Motherwell Town Council at their meeting with the Committee on 21st current, which had been printed and copies issued to the members prior to this meeting. The Clerk supplemented the statements in the Memorandum, and indicated generally the probable amount of claim which it would be necessary for the County Council to make as a condition precedent to considering the possibility of the transference to the Burgh of the water rights within the area added to the Burgh in 1908.

After a general discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk should, along with Mr. Whyte, submit to the Town-Clerk of Motherwell, the figures placed before the the committee, indicating that this was done without prejudice. That the figures were not to be referred to or founded on in any Parliamentary or other proceedings, and that in submitting them it was to be distinctly understood that the County Council were not thereby to be held as conceding that the question of principle could be waived, but that the information was only meantime afforded with a view to eliciting, whether having regard to the figures submitted, Motherwell Town Council would still consider it advisable to proceed further with negotiations.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 4th February, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
William Bell.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	James C. Pollok.
James H. Fenton.	Joseph Sullivan.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
* William Love.	

And the following additional members of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee, appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, 1914:—

William Gardner. | James Kelly.
James Prentice.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Mr George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of 28th January, 1914, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill.—Report by Clerk.

The Clerk reported that on 30th ultimo he had met with Councillor Frood and Mr. Burns, Town-Clerk, of the Burgh of Motherwell, when he had submitted to these gentlemen figures regarding the amount which the County Council and District Committee were advised would require to be paid, in the event of it being ultimately agreed that the request of the Town Council of Motherwell that they should become the Water Authority within the area added to the Burgh in 1908 could be acceded to by the County Authorities, and that he had further submitted the approximate figures which would apply if the same principle were conceded as regards the area over which the Burgh is proposed by the present Bill to be extended. He had further indicated generally that the figures were based on the assumption that the County should be put in no worse position than they would be, from a financial standpoint, if the transference suggested had not taken place. He had carefully explained to the Motherwell representatives that the question of principle involved in the transfer of the County Council's and District Committee's rights had not yet been discussed by his committee, and that the figures were submitted on that footing, and without prejudice, in order that, having before them the extent of the claim which they would have to meet, the Town Council of Motherwell might consider whether they desired to continue negotiations. Subsequent to this interview the Town-Clerk of Motherwell had intimated to him that his Town Council, notwithstanding the figures submitted, still desired to continue negotiations, and this meeting had been called for the purpose of having another meeting with representatives of the Town Council, who were in attendance.

* Mr. Love is also a member of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Sewage and Purification Bill, 1914.

Deputation from Motherwell Town Council.

There then entered the meeting a deputation from the Town Council of Motherwell, consisting of Provost Wilson, Bailie M'Kendrick, Councillors Frood, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, M'Lees, and MacNeill, and Mr. Burns, Town-Clerk.

The chairman having welcomed the deputation, a general discussion took place as to the course which any further negotiations should take. It was explained to the Motherwell representatives that before the question of principle involved could be considered by the County Council, or any agreement made, the amount to be paid by the Town Council must be definitely adjusted between parties, and that no proposal to settle the matter on the basis of referring the claim by the County Council and District Committee to arbitration could be entertained, and that negotiations must proceed on that footing. On their part the Motherwell representatives agreed that future negotiations should proceed on this understanding, and also that in making up the claim regard must be had not only to capital expenditure, but an allowance must be made for loss of revenue.

Clerk to furnish information to enable Motherwell Town Council to form opinion on County Council's claim.

It was finally arranged that in order to enable the Town Council of Motherwell to satisfy themselves as to the proper amount which would fall to be paid to the County Council and District Committee for the cesser of their water rights within the area added to the Burgh in 1908, the County Clerk should furnish the Town-Clerk of Motherwell with such information as to debt and as to the valuation and rating, &c., of the area as might be necessary, and that thereafter a further conference should take place.

Proposal for extension of Motherwell's boundaries to be limited.

In connection with the Town Council's Burgh extension proposals, Councillor Frood stated that he thought it right to inform the County Council that the extension sought would in the Filled-up Bill be limited to the area which was given to the Burgh by the Committee of the House of Commons in 1908, but was subsequently excluded by the Committee of the House of Lords. The Town-Clerk of Motherwell having stated that so far as his Town Council was concerned all negotiations were without prejudice, the chairman replied that there was a clear mutual understanding to that effect.

The deputation having thanked the committee for their reception, and the chairman having expressed the committee's pleasure at again meeting with the Town Council's representatives, the deputation withdrew.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, 1914.—Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914.

The Clerk submitted letters from Messrs. Grahames, Currey, & Spens, of date 3rd current, intimating that the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order and the Lanarkshire Gas Order would come before the Chairmen of the Committees of the two Houses of Parliament on 12th current, and requesting instructions as to whether representations should be made as to either or both of these Orders proceeding as such or as private Bills. It was agreed to make no representation as regards the Glasgow Corporation Order, and if necessary to represent before the Chairmen that the Lanarkshire Gas Order should proceed as such.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 18th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 18th February, 1914.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
JAMES ANDERSON.
GEORGE FRASER.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
SIR SIMON MACDONALD LOCKHART, Bart, M.V.O.
WILLIAM LOVE.
A. D. MACK.
JAMES C. POLLOK.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
WILLIAM SYM.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Attending—

W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward,

and

JAMES A. M'CALLUM, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Mr. George Fraser, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from the Convener, the Vice-Convener and Mr. William Bell. *Apology for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th current, and of meetings of the Joint Sub-Committee on the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, etc.) Order, of dates 31st January and 4th current (Appendix I.), prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee having been submitted, were approved of signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported the proceedings at the meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee on Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.,) Order held to-day, as set forth in the minute of that meeting which forms Appendix II. to this minute. The Committee approved. *Conference with Glasgow Corporation.*

The Clerk reported that subsequent to the last meeting of the Committee, the Accountant appointed by the Town Council of Motherwell, had been put in possession of the figures necessary, to enable him to advise the Town Council as to the amount which would fall to be paid to the County Council and District Committee for the ceding of their water rights within the area added to the Burgh in 1908. No further communication had yet been received from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell, but on 17th current, in reply to an enquiry as to when the Bill might be taken, the County Councils' Parliamentary Agents had written to the Clerk, intimating that, at the request of the promoters, the Lord-Chairman had assented to the Committee stage of the Bill being deferred till after Easter. *Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill.*

Upper Ward District Committee's representatives.

In connection with this Bill, the Clerk submitted the following letter from Mr. A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the Upper Ward District Committee, viz:—

"District Offices,
"Lanark, 17th February, 1914.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill.

"At the monthly meeting of the District Committee, held here yesterday, Sir S. M. Lockhart, Bart., drew attention to the negotiations presently proceeding between the County Parliamentary Bills Committee, and the Motherwell Town Council, particularly with regard to how these negotiations might affect the interests of the District Committee, and. on his suggestion, it was remitted to Messrs. Gold, Jackson, Logan, and M'Kune, as a sub-committee to watch the interests of the District Committee, and, if your committee approve, to act along with them in this matter.

"The point of interest to my committee, as you are well aware, is that, should the County Council and Middle Ward District Committee agree that Motherwell Compulsory Area be extended in any way the District Committee's *right*, under the 1900 Act, to their supply *after the wants of the Compulsory Area* are met might be prejudiced.

"My committee hold that, should the limits of compulsory supply be extended by such an agreement, the District Committee's right of supply should be made to rank equally with that of the extended Burgh or otherwise that compensation should be made to the District Committee.

"I am,

"Yours faithfully,

"A. W. PATERSON,

"Sir Thomas Munro,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge the letter and to inform Mr. Paterson that the point in which his District Committee was specially interested was not being lost sight of in course of the negotiations and that representatives of his District Committee would be given an opportunity of attending any meetings of the Parliamentary Bills Committee at which the Motherwell Bill so far as relating to the matter in which his District Commitiee was concerned might be under consideration.

Lanarkshire Gas and Glasgow Corporation Orders.

There were submitted letters from Messrs. Grahames, Currie & Spens, of date 12th current, intimating that the Chairman of Committees had now decided that the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order must proceed as a Bill, but that the Lanarkshire Gas Order might proceed as such.

Lanark County Tramways Sub-Committee.

The Committee had under consideration the advisability of reappointing the Special Sub-Committee on the Lanark County Tramways, when it was agreed to appoint the following Sub-Committee, viz.:—Messrs. Fraser, Lambie, Sullivan, Shanks, Templeton, and Colonel King Stewart.

APPENDIX. I.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE ON GLASGOW CORPORATION (WATER, TRAMWAYS, &c.) ORDER, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon *Saturday*, 31*st January*, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark and of Representatives of the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards, appointed with reference to the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, 1914. 31st January, 1914.

Present—

Representing the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council—

JOHN ADAM.	A. D. MACK.
Colonel BUCHANAN.	JAMES C. POLLOK.
GEORGE FRASER.	GAVIN A. SHANKS.
ROBERT LAMBIE.	JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
*WILLIAM LOVE.	Colonel KING STEWART.

Representing the District Committee of the Middle Ward—

JAMES CAMERON. | JAMES PRENTICE.

Representing the District Committee of the Lower Ward—

J. RAESIDE AULD.

Attending—

W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
ROBERT SPITTAL, Road Surveyor of the Second Division of the Middle Ward.
W. A. CHAPMAN, Road Surveyor of the Third Division of the Middle Ward.
JAMES A. M'CALLUM, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.
JAMES RENNIE, Road Surveyor of the Lower Ward.
W. S. BRUCE, Sanitary Inspector of the Lower Ward.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The members of the committee proceeded to inspect the routes of the tramways proposed to be constructed under the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, and traversed in turn the routes of the Millerston, Burnside, and Coatbridge extensions. *Inspection of Routes.*

Halts were made at various points on the routes, and explanations given by the respective officials as to the alterations proposed to be made by the Corporation at different points, and as to the improvements which should be carried out to make the roads sufficient for the tramway and other traffic.

At the conclusion of the inspection the members considered the various points which had been raised in the course of the inspection, and formulated certain proposals which should be submitted to the Corporation, at the conference on 4th proximo, as a condition of the County Council and the District Committees consenting to the tramways being proceeded with.

The thanks of the committee are due to Colonel and Mrs. Buchanan, who very kindly entertained the members and officials to luncheon at Drumpellier House after the inspection.

* Mr. Love is also one of the Representatives of the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE ON GLASGOW CORPORATION (WATER, TRAMWAYS, &c.) ORDER, 1914.

4th February, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark and of Representatives of the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards, appointed with reference to the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, 1914.

Present—

Representing the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council—

‡ John Adam.
‡ James Anderson.
Colonel Buchanan.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.C.
* William Love.
A. D. Mack.
James C. Pollok.
Gavin A. Shanks.
‡ William Speirs.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.

Representing the District Committee of the Middle Ward—

James Cameron.
William L. Dyer.
James Prentice.
W. B. Thomson.

Representing the District Committee of the Lower Ward—

Walter C. B. Christie.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
Robert Spittal, Road Surveyor of the Second Division of the Middle Ward.
W. A. Chapman, Road Surveyor of the Third Division of the Middle Ward.
James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, 1914.—Appointment of deputation to wait on Glasgow Corporation.

The committee further considered the proposals, which had been formulated at last meeting for submission to the Corporation of Glasgow, at the conference in the City Chambers later this afternoon, and decided as to the points which should be specially kept in view. As it would have been inconvenient for all the members of the committee to attend at the City Chambers, the meeting appointed the Convener, Vice-Convener, the Chairman, and Messrs. Adam, Anderson, Love, Pollok, and Shanks as a deputation to lay the committee's proposals before the Corporation.

Deputation from Town Council of Coatbridge.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that it had been agreed that the Town Council of Coatbridge should have an opportunity of laying before the committee, prior to the conference with the Corporation, certain views which they entertained as to the expediency of every inducement being given to the Corporation to proceed with the extension of their tramway system from

* Mr. Love is also one of the representatives of the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
‡ These gentlemen are also representatives of the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Baillieston to Coatbridge, and that he had arranged for a deputation from the Town Council of Coatbridge being in attendance. The deputation, which consisted of Provost Davie, and Bailies Agnew, Kellock, Lindsay, and Smith, was then invited to enter the meeting, when Provost Davie put before the committee the views of his Town Council, and expressed the hope that the County Council would do all in their power to secure the extension of the tramway system of the Corporation of Glasgow to Coatbridge. The chairman, in reply, stated that, consistently with the protection of their constituents' interests, the County Council were desirous of having the tramways brought from Baillieston to Coatbridge, and would place no obstacle unnecessarily in the way of the proposed extension. The deputation having been thanked by the chairman for attending, and Provost Davie having thanked the committee for their reception, the deputation withdrew.

Conference with representatives of Glasgow Corporation.

At the close of the meeting the deputation appointed by the committee proceded to the City Chambers, and were received by a sub-committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the Corporation of Glasgow.

Bailie Barrie, Convener of the Corporation sub-committee, having welcomed the deputation, the chairman of the deputation, Mr. Fraser, made a general statement as to the County Council's attitude towards the proposed extensions of the Corporation's tramway system. The County Clerk supplemented the statement of the chairman, and explained in detail the conditions which the County Council committee thought ought to be complied with by the Corporation in the event of the County Council agreeing to the proposed extensions. After a general interchange of views on the various points which had emerged, Bailie Barrie indicated that his committee would consider favourably the demands of the County Council as put forward by the deputation, and promised that if the County Clerk would submit in writing a statement of these, the Corporation would as soon as possible let the County Council have a written reply.

APPENDIX II.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE ON GLASGOW CORPORATION (WATER, TRAMWAYS, &c.) ORDER, 1914.

18th February, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 18th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark and of Representatives of the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards, appointed with reference to the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, 1914.

Present—

Representing the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council—

†John Adam.	*William Love.
†James Anderson.	A. D. Mack.
George Fraser.	James C. Pollok.
Robert Lambie.	†William Speirs.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.C.	Joseph Sullivan.

Representing the District Committee of the Middle Ward—

James Cameron. | William L. Dyer.

W. B. Thomson.

Representing the District Committee of the Lower Ward—

J. Raeside Auld.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Chairman. Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presided.

Notice calling meeting The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting,

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, which had been printed, and a copy sent to erch member, having been submitted, were approved of and and signed.

Report of conference with Glasgow Corporation. The Chairman and Clerk reported the proceedings at the conference between representatives of the County Council and the Corporation of Glasgow, on 4th current, referred to in the last paragraph of the minutes of the Joint Sub-Committee of that date.

The Clerk also stated that he had, as requested by the Corporation, put in writing a statement of the County Council's requirements. and he submitted a copy of his letter and of a letter written by the Town-Clerk in reply, of which prints had been issued to the members of the Joint-Committee prior to this meeting, and which form an Appendix to this minute.

Remit. The meeting having considered the various points raised in the correspondence, and having come to certain findings regarding these, agreed on the motion of Mr. W. B. Thomson, seconded by Mr. Lambie, that it be remitted to the Chairman and Clerk, in consultation with the Clerks of the two District Committees, to adjust an agreement with Glasgow Corporation to give effect to the Committee's views, it being understood that, should any difficulty arise in the course of the negotiations with Glasgow Corporation, the matter should be reported to the Committee with the view to obtaining further instructions.

* Mr. Love is also one of the representatives of the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

† These gentlemen are also representatives of the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GLASGOW CORPORATION (WATER, TRAMWAYS, &c.) ORDER, 1914.

COPY CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE COUNTY CLERK OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK AND THE TOWN-CLERK OF GLASGOW.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 5th February, 1914.

DEAR SIR,

GLASGOW CORPORATION (WATER, TRAMWAYS, &c.) ORDER.

With reference to the interview which took place yesterday between the representatives of your Corporation and of my County Council, I am to state that the following are the more peculiarly local improvements which my Council think it is necessary for your Corporation to carry out on the routes of the proposed tramways, viz.:—

(1) CATHKIN BRAES PARK EXTENSION.

In connection with the laying of this tramway, your Corporation propose to lower the roadway between the railway bridge at Burnside Station, to the extent of 10 inches on the north side of the bridge and 12¼ inches on the south side Consequent on this lowering, your Corporation suggest tapering off the levels in Blairbeth Road about 100 feet south of the bridge and in East Kilbride Road about 120 feet east from Blairbeth Road.

My Council are advised that in both cases these distances are insufficient, and that the tapering-off should be carried back at least 265 feet south of the bridge in Blairbeth Road, and a similar distance in East Kilbride Road east of Blairbeth Road. At the junction of Blairbeth and East Kilbride Road there is a dangerous corner, due to the presence of a high embankment. My Council consider it necessary that this corner should be improved by taking about 15 feet off the embankment, tapering off the improvement about 30 feet each way, and building a retaining wall. Satisfactory arrangements will also require to be made for draining the surface-water off the roads, in view of the alteration of the levels.

Mention was made of the impossibility of laying tramways along the Carmunnock Road, and I understood Mr. Dalrymple to state that unless the Corporation could arrange for widening this road to a suitable width this portion of the tramways would not be constructed. My Council are anxious that this line should be proceeded with, and to facilitate its construction will be glad to lend their assistance in furthering negotiations with frontagers for the widening of this road, as well as for the widening of any of the other roads on which the tramways are proposed to be laid.

(2) MILLERSTON EXTENSION.

Two local improvements were mentioned in connection with this route, viz.:—

(*a*) The necessity of rebuilding the bridge over the Molendinar Burn; and

(*b*) The desirability of shifting the terminus into Robroyston Road.

I understand that, as regards the first of these matters, the Tramway Engineer will inspect the bridge, and that if he is of opinion that it requires rebuilding this will be done. In the event, however, of the Corporation deciding to take the tramways across the bridge in its existing state and of any damage resulting therefrom, the Corporation will make good such damage. The levels at the bridge are at present somewhat awkward, and the County Council will understand that the opportunity will be taken of improving these when the tramways are being put down. As regards the position of the terminus, I understood your Convener to state that effect would be given to the County Council's wishes.

(3) Coatbridge Extension.

The main improvements called for here are at the points where the bridges carrying disused railways cross the road.

My Council's view is that the Corporation should pave the whole roadway beneath these bridges, and should, at the one nearer Glasgow, lay a kerb and form a footpath on the northern side of the road. At the other bridge there is an awkward pier at the side of the carriageway, and my Council expect your Corporation to arrange for its removal. As pointed out at the conference, this road is in exceptionally good order. The laying of the tramways will interfere with the camber and necessitate the renewal of the tar-macadam on each side of the track. My Council desire that the Corporation should relay both sides of the road after the tramway is completed, so that it may be put into as good condition as at present. They also desire the Corporation to form a kerb and water-channel along the sides of the road where these do not exist at present.

While these are the local improvements which were specially referred to at the conference, there may be other portions of the routes where widenings and alterations of the levels may be desirable, but it is impossible to condescend on these without making an actual survey of the road.

I understand the maps of the roads which the County Road Surveyors possess are not on a sufficiently large scale to permit of there being marked on them such further improvements of the nature I have suggested as may be desirable. Your Engineers, have no doubt, surveyed the roads carefully, and may have maps or tracings which would be of service to the Road Surveyors in pointing out such improvements, and, if so, I shall be glad to know if the maps or tracings could be placed at the disposal of the Road Surveyors for a time.

I may remind you that certain matters of a more general application were also discussed at the conference, such as the consideration to be given to the County Council for the use of their roads—either in the form of concessions in the shape of providing lighting or otherwise; the carrying out of improvements on existing routes which have been shown to be imperative in the interests of the public consequent on the running of the cars; and the erection of waiting-rooms and lavatories. Your Corporation is, I think, sufficiently informed of my Council's views on these points.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

THE CORPORATION OF GLASGOW.

City Chambers,
Glasgow, 11th February, 1914.

Sir THOMAS MUNRO,
County Clerk,
Hamilton.

DEAR SIR THOMAS,

GLASGOW CORPORATION (WATER, TRAMWAYS, &c.) ORDER.

LANARKSHIRE TRAMWAYS.

I have now had an opportunity of submitting your letter of the 5th instant to the Sub-Committee in charge of the Tramways part of the Order, and am instructed to reply thereto as follows, viz.:—

(1) CATHKIN BRAES EXTENSION.

If the lowering and tapering proposed by the Corporation at Burnside Station is insufficient to render safe what is undoubtedly a dangerous corner, further tapering will be carried out and the corner improved so as to make it absolutely safe for tramway and other traffic. The Department are quite satisfied as to the necessity for the proposed improvement, and, without committing the Corporation to the distances mentioned in your letter, they will, as far as reasonably necessary, meet the wishes of the County in the matter.

As regards Carmunnock Road, the County may take it that it will be impossible to make a double line of tramways in that road unless the road is widened, and that it would be dangerous to work the traffic with a single line. The Corporation will therefore require to widen this road, and will be glad to have the co-operation of the County in the matter.

(2) MILLERSTON EXTENSION.

The Tramway Engineer is satisfied that the rebuilding of the bridge over the Molendinar Burn is not necessary for tramway purposes, but he thinks that it is too small for its purpose, and that the County Council may find it necessary to reconstruct the bridge when the tramways come to be made. The making of the tramways over the bridge will strengthen it, and, if the tramways are laid across the bridge in its existing state and any damage results to the bridge therefrom, the Corporation will make good such damage. The levels at the bridge will be improved, and the tramways will be made to terminate in Robroyston Road, or in such other position as meets the wishes of the County.

(3) COATBRIDGE EXTENSION.

The Corporation propose to remove the bridges if they can make arrangements to do so, but if they are unable to make arrangements to do so they will pave the roadway beneath the bridges and lay a kerb and form a footpath on the northern side of the road at the bridge nearer Glasgow. The pier at the other bridge, if requisite arrangements can be made with the Railway Company, will be removed. After the tramways are laid the Corporation will put the road into as good, if not better, condition than it is at the time when they commence to lay the tramways; but they do not think that they should be asked to form a kerb and water-channel where these do not at present exist, as they understand this really means the laying of a kerb and channel the whole way from Baillieston to Coatbridge. If, of course, it can be shown to be necessary owing to the presence of the tramways, the kerb and channel would be formed. The other improvements, widenings, alterations, and levels which you are not able to condescend upon, the Sub-Committee think should be settled by the Engineers when the tramways are being laid. No maps or tracings, other than the Parliamentary plans, have been prepared.

As regards the last paragraph of your letter, while the Sub-Committee cannot come under any general obligation with regard to the lighting of roads, they are prepared to recommend the Corporation to give current for the lighting of short isolated portions of road so as to link up lighting districts, until such time as the isolated portion of the road can be brought within the lighting district—the County Council always supplying and maintaining the necessary lighting fittings. The Corporation have always given favourable consideration to road improvements where these have been shown to be necessary on account of the presence of the cars, and on two occasions recently they contributed £2,000 to road improvements in the Burgh of Rutherglen.

The Corporation are alive to the necessity for lavatory accommodation at the tramway termini, and whatever provision is made in the City in the way of waiting-room accommodation will be extended to County districts.

I trust the terms of this letter will be considered satisfactory to the County Authorities, and that you will be able to let me have a copy of the Order sealed in token of your County's consent to the tramway extensions herein referred to.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

J. LINDSAY.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

25th February, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 25th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	A. D. Mack.
James Anderson.	James C. Pollok.
William Bell.	Gavin A. Shanks.
James H. Fenton.	William Speirs.
George Fraser.	Joseph Sullivan.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
*William Love.	James Tonner.

And the following additional members of the Special Committees of the Upper and Middle Ward District Committees, appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, 1914:—

Upper Ward.

William K. Jackson.	Colonel Logan.

Middle Ward.

William Gardner.	James Kelly.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	James Prentice.

Attending—

A. W. Paterson, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.
W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Chairman. Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Apologies for absence. Apologies for absence were submitted from the Convener and Vice-Convener.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

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* Mr. Love is also a member of the Special Committee of the Middle Ward District Committee appointed in connection with the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 18th current, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Scottish Office, dated 18th current, conveying the approval of the Secretary for Scotland, in terms of Section 2 of the County Councils (Bills in Parliament) Act, 1903, as read with Section 56 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, of the resolution of the County Council to promote the Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914. The Clerk also reported that the Scottish Office had now issued their observations on the terms of the Order, but that these appeared to raise no question of serious difficulty, and that he was arranging an interview with the Scottish Office in Edinburgh in the near future. *Lanarkshire Gas Order.*

There was submitted a letter from the Scottish Office, intimating that the Secretary for Scotland had approved, in terms of Section 56 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as read with the Act 35 and 36 Vic., cap. 91, of the resolution of the County Council to oppose the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.,) Bill, 1914. The Clerk reported that he was at present in communication with the Town-Clerk of Glasgow with a view to adjusting a Minute of Agreement to carry out the arrangement proposed to be made between the County Council and the Corporation in connection with this Bill. *Glasgow Corporation Bill.*

The Clerk reported that, on 19th current, the Town-Clerk of Motherwell had communicated with him by telephone, intimating that his Town Council had received a report from their Accountant, based on the information supplied to him by the County Clerk, and requesting that the Town Council's representatives be afforded a further opportunity of meeting with this committee. The Clerk stated that, after consultation with the Chairman, he had invited the representatives of the Town Council to be in attendance to-day. The deputation, consisting of Provost Wilson, Bailie M'Kendrick, Councillors Frood, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, M'Lees, and MacNeill, and Mr. Burns, Town-Clerk, which was in attendance, then entered the meeting. Mr. Frood and other members of the deputation having explained at length the views of the Town Council on the amount of the claim which the County Council and the District Committee were entitled to make in respect of the cesser of their water rights within the area added to the Burgh in 1908, a general discussion ensued, when the question was fully discussed in all its aspects. *Motherwell Burgh Extension Bill.*

As a result of this discussion, it was agreed that the Town Council's representatives should have an opportunity of considering in private whether they could not make the County Council an offer of a definite sum for these rights. The deputation then withdrew temporarily, and on returning to the meeting stated that for a settlement they were prepared to offer the County Council the sum of £35,000. At the request of the committee, the Motherwell representatives again withdrew, in order that the committee might consider this offer, and the committee having done so, unanimously agreed that the chairman should intimate to the Motherwell representatives that while the County Council might be willing to accept a proposal which would place the ratepayers within the County area in no worse a position than they were prior to the cesser of the County Authorities water rights, the meeting, being of opinion that the sum of £35,000 offered would not have this effect, felt bound, in the county ratepayers' interests, to decline the offer as inadequate.

The Motherwell representatives having again entered the meeting, and having been informed of the committee's decision, thanked the committee for their consideration of their proposals, but indicated that they were not in a position to increase their offer. The chairman having, on behalf of the committee, thanked the Motherwell representatives for their attendance, the meeting terminated.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

2nd March, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 2nd March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	Robert Lambie.
James Anderson.	William Love.
William Bell.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	James C Pollok.
George Fraser.	William Speirs.

Colonel King Stewart.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 25th February, 1914, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill.—Minute of meeting of sub-committee.

The Clerk reported the proceedings at the meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee on Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill, held to-day, as set forth in the minute of that meeting, which forms an Appendix to this minute. The committee approved.

Lanarkshire Gas Order.—Date of hearing.—Appointment of sub-committee.

The Clerk reported that this Order had been placed third in a group of four Orders, which had now been put out for hearing at Glasgow, commencing on 24th current, the other Orders in the group being the Glasgow Corporation Order, the Clyde Navigation Order, and the Colinton Tramways Order. It was agreed to appoint the following sub-committee to take charge of the Order during its further progress, viz.:—the Convener, Vice-Convener, and Messrs. Fenton, Fraser, Lambie, Pollok, and Speirs.

Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Bill.—Appointment of sub-committee.

Copies of the statement prepared by the Clerk for the purposes of the claim to be made by the County Authorities against Motherwell Town Council, in respect of the cessers of their water rights within the area added to the Burgh of Motherwell in 1908, which had been before the committee at their last meeting, were handed by the Clerk to the members present. In view of the present position of negotiations between the County Council and Town Council, it was agreed to appoint the Convener, Vice-Convener, Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Lambie as a special committee to consider the whole position of the Motherwell Bill, and take such action as might from time to time be appropriate.

Parliamentary Bills.

The Clerk submitted prints of the following Bills, which were being introduced into the House of Commons:—

Small Landholders (Scotland) Act (1911) Amendment;
Land Values (Scotland); and
Weekly Rest Day.

It was explained that the first of these Bills did not affect the interests of counties, and that as regards it no action need be taken. As regards the other two Bills, the committee continued consideration of their provisions in the meantime.

APPENDIX.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE ON GLASGOW CORPORATION (Water Tramways, &c.) ORDER, 1914.

2nd March, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Monday, 2nd March, 1914, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, and of Representatives of the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards, appointed with reference to the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Order, 1914.

Present—

†John Adam.	Robert Lambie.
†James Anderson.	*William Love.
William Bell.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	James C. Pollock.
George Fraser.	†William Speirs.

Colonel King Stewart.

Representing the District Committee of the Middle Ward—

James Prentice.

Representing the District Committee of the Lower Ward—

J. Raeside Auld. | Walter C. B. Christie.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
James A. M'Callum, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.
W. A. Chapman, Road Surveyor to the Third Division of the Middle Ward.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of last meeting of the committee, held on 18th ultimo, which had been already submitted to and approved by the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council at their meeting on 25th February, 1914, were signed by the Chairman.

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* Mr. Love is also one of the representatives of the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

† These gentlemen are also representatives of the District Committee of the Lower Ward.

Report by Clerk re interview with Town-Clerk Depute, Glasgow, and Glasgow Tramway Manager.

The Clerk reported that, along with Mr. Whyte, Mr. M'Callum, and Mr. Chapman, he had met with Mr. Stenhouse, Town-Clerk Depute of Glasgow, and Mr. Dalrymple, Manager of Glasgow Corporation Tramways, and had gone over with them a draft of a minute of agreement containing the conditions on which the County Council would consent to the Corporation's Tramway proposals. At that meeting, Mr. Stenhouse had indicated that the Corporation were unlikely to concede the demands of the County Authorities in their entirety, particularly as regards the provision of kerbs and water channels on both sides of the roads on which the intended Tramways were to be laid, in so far as that had not already been done, but that this point and one or two other matters would require to be considered by his Parliamentary Bills Committee before he could commit the Corporation. The Town-Clerk of Glasgow had since returned the draft agreement, revised. The effect of his revisal was that all the material points, other than the provision of kerbs and water channels, the lighting of tramway routes, and the formation of footpaths on the Carmunnock Road, had been conceded by the Corporation. As regards kerbs and water channels, the Corporation would only provide these on the north side of the Baillieston Road, so far as they did not already exist; as regards lighting, the Corporation were willing to give the current free for lighting any portions of the routes outwith special lighting districts, provided the County Authorities erected, maintained, lit, and extinguished the lamps; and as regards the Carmunnock Road, the Corporation would, instead of providing a forty-feet road, with footpaths, provide a fifty-feet road, without footpaths.

The Clerk also reported that Mr. Whyte and Mr. Chapman had this morning interviewed Mr. Dalrymple, the Corporation Tramways Manager, and had received from him satisfactory assurances as to the manner in which the sides of any roads interfered with would be restored.

Recommendation to accept terms offered by Glasgow Corporation.

After hearing the Clerk's report, the Sub-Committee were unanimously of opinion that the terms offered by the Corporation should be accepted, and agreed to recommend to the Parliamentary Bills Committee that, on an undertaking being given that the Corporation would execute an agreement embodying the provisions of the draft agreement, as revised by the Town-Clerk, the consent of the County Council might be given to the Tramway proposals of the Corporation.

The County Clerk stated that, in transmitting the agreement to the Corporation, he would formally refer to the promise of the Corporation to give favourable consideration to proposals that might be put forward by the County Authorities in the future in regard to improvements, public lighting, and the provision of lavatories on any of the existing tramway routes.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

1st April, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, *upon Wednesday, 1st April*, 1914, being a meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	A. D. Mack.
James Anderson.	J. C. Pollok.
William Bell.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Speirs.
James H. Fenton.	Joseph Sullivan.
George Fraser.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.
William Love.	James Tonner.

Attending—

A. W. Paterson, District Clerk, Lanark.
W. E. Whyte, District Clerk, Hamilton.

Chairman.

At the beginning of the meeting Mr. William Speirs presided, and thereafter Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presided.

Apology for absence.

An apology for absence was intimated from the Convener.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 2nd March, 1914, which had been printed and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved and signed.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill.

With reference to the Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill, the Clerk reported that the consent of the County Council had been given to the Tramway proposals, the Corporation having undertaken to execute an agreement embodying the provisions of the draft agreement referred to in the minutes of the last meeting; that Clause 47 which provided for the exemption of sewers from assessment, to which the Authorities of the Houses of Parliament had taken objection, had been deleted from the Bill; and that the only remaining part of the Bill in which the County Council were interested had reference to the proposed increase of the Corporation's borrowing powers for sewage purposes.

After consideration, the committee agreed that the interest of the County Council in the matter last referred to, was so inconsiderable as not to call for further opposition to the Bill. The Clerk was instructed, meantime, to watch the further procedure of the Bill through Parliament.

Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill.

With reference to the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, the Clerk submitted and read a letter which he had received from the Town Clerk, Motherwell, which was in the following terms:—

"Town Hall,
"Motherwell, 3rd March, 1914.

"Dear Sir,

"MOTHERWELL BURGH EXTENSION AND SEWAGE PURIFICATION BILL.

"In view of the Bill coming before a Committee of the House of Lords on the opposition of the County Council, I am instructed to inform you that the Town Council will, in the Filled-up Bill to be laid before the Lords Committee, limit the area sought to be included within the Burgh under the Extension of Boundaries part of this Bill, to the area which the House of Commons Committee on the Bill in 1908 granted, but which the Second House struck out, with a small part added on the north west at Roman Road, so as to include the whole of the proposed Town Planning area in the extension, all as shown on plan sent herewith.

"My Town Council are of opinion that this limitation to the area which one House of Parliament had already sanctioned in 1908, although the Second House excluded it, is now, in the circumstances which have arisen since 1908 in the area in question, a reasonable proposal, and one which my Town Council think ought to be granted, and ought not to be opposed by the County Council.

"My Town Council will also, in the Filled-up Bill, delete Clauses 29 and 30, which propose to make obligatory on the Upper and Middle Wards what is only optional to them under the Act of 1900.

"The only other part of the Bill which the County opposes is in relation to the water jurisdiction under the Act of 1908. It is not necessary that my Town Council should offer any argument in support of this part of the Bill, except to say that the situation with regard to water jurisdiction within the area added to the Burgh in 1908 is anomalous, and my Council confidently submit that the remedy sought by the Bill, on that question, is reasonable and ought to be granted, and that the County Council should withdraw their opposition.

"On the question of financial adjustments, my Council are of course prepared, as regards the proposed new extension of boundaries, to accept the principle of the Report of tht Joint-Committee on that question and the agreed Bill applicable to Scotland recently settled between the representatives of the Burghs and Counties to carry out that report, and to insert a clause in the Bill accordingly.

"With regard to the adjustment of the claim of the County in respect of the question of the water supply within the area added under the Act of 1908, my Council will agree to the application of the same principle. On this question of the water supply under the Act of 1908, my Town Council would be willing, so as to avoid expense, to refer the question of amount of the compensation as was done in the Dunfermline Corporation Water Order, 1913, Section 14, Sub-section 10, or alternatively my Committee would be willing to agree to a sum with the County on the principle already mentioned, and thereby avoid the expense of contesting the Bill and of arbitration proceedings.

"I shall be glad to have your County Council's reply as to the proposals of this letter, and my Council sincerely hope that they will be accepted, and so avoid an expensive contest before a Parliamentary Committee which both parties would necessarily be anxious to avoid.

"My Town Council make this communication in the hope that the proposals may be accepted by the County, but, failing acceptance, they reserve the right to submit this letter to the Committee on the Bill.

"Yours faithfully,

"JAMES BURNS,
"*Town-Clerk.*

"Sir THOMAS MUNRO,
"Clerk to Lanarkshire County Council,
"Hamilton.'

The chairman reported that since the date of last meeting, the sub-committee appointed with reference to this Bill had had meetings with representatives of Motherwell Town Council. and he stated that, so far, parties had failed to adjust a basis for settlement.

In these circumstances, the committee instructed the Clerk to prepare the case for the County Council against the Bill. and at the same time remitted to the sub-committee to take such action in the matter as might from time to time seem to them necessary, and, if so agreed, to meet again with the Town Council's representatives, should the latter express a desire to re-open negotiations.

Lanarkshire Gas Order.

Minutes of meeting of the Sub-Committee on the Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914, of dates 11th and 25th ultimo (Appendices I. and II.), copies of which had been printed and issued to the members of the committee, were submitted and approved.

APPENDIX I.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON LANARKSHIRE GAS ORDER, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 11th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914. 11th March, 1914.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. ROBERT LAMBIE.
J. C. POLLOK.

Attending—

Mr. W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to District Committee of Middle Ward.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk submitted a print of notes which he had prepared on the points raised in the various petitions against the Order (Appendix), a copy of which had been sent to each member of the sub-committee. He reported that, on 7th current, he had, along with Mr. Whyte, met with representatives of the various petitioners, and had discussed with them the points raised in their respective petitions against the Order, and he indicated how far he thought it would be prudent for the Committee to go in meeting these objections. *Report by Clerk.*

Having heard the Clerk's report, the committee agreed that further negotiations with the petitioners should be left in his hands, with power to him to proceed to London, with the chairman and Mr. Pollok, to consult with the Council's Parliamentary Agents, if this were thought advisable.

APPENDIX.

NOTES ON POINTS RAISED BY PETITIONS

AGAINST

THE LANARKSHIRE GAS ORDER, 1914.

PETITION OF THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES, AND COUNCILLORS OF THE BURGH OF HAMILTON.

This Petition, after referring to the Preamble of the Order and to the provisions of Clauses 4, 5, and 6 of the Order, states, by Paragraph 8, that the Petitioners are, under the various Local Acts referred to as the "Hamilton Gas Acts," the Statutory Authority for the supply of gas within part of the Middle Ward District.

The Petitioners also own gas and water pipes, water-works, sewers, and sewage works within the area of the District Committee (Paragraph 9).

The area within which the Petitioners are authorised to supply gas is defined in Section 20 of the Hamilton New Gas Light Act, 1846, which provides that "the limits of this Act shall comprehend the town "and Burgh of Hamilton and suburbs thereof, and the villages of "Motherwell and Bothwell and other places adjacent thereto, in the "Parishes of Hamilton, Dalziel, and Bothwell, in the County of "Lanark," but there was excepted therefrom by Agreement confirmed by the Gas Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1902, Section 2, "so "much of the Parish of Bothwell as lies to the north of the River Clyde "and is included within the limits of supply as defined by the "Bothwell and Uddingston Gas Order, 1902." The area of the Hamilton Gas Acts is partly within the jurisdiction of the County Council, and embraces special lighting districts formed by the District Committee (Paragraph 10).

The Petitioners object to the Order being granted and the Burgh Gas Acts being made applicable within the area of their supply. The Petitioners have laid pipes and are supplying gas in the area of the District Committee (Paragraph 11).

It is objected by the Petitioners that the alteration of the general law proposed to be made by the Order is not such as should be made by private legislation, and that the powers sought ought not to be conferred on the County Council and District Committee (Paragraph 12).

The Petitioners contend that the application of Section 2 of the Burghs Gas Supply Act, 1876, by Section 44 (10) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, has resulted in the abolition of the protection given to Gas Authorities by Section 2 of the Act of 1876, so far as Burghs are concerned, and that Sections 2 and 43 of the Act of 1876 no longer protect the Petitioners (Paragraph 13).

Under Section 24 of the Hamilton Burgh Order, 1909, the Petitioners are authorised to supply gas in bulk to any local authority, company, or person, within or beyond the limits of supply of the Hamilton Gas Acts, but so far as beyond such limits only with the consent of the local authority of the district or of any person or company supplying gas in the district under Parliamentary powers, and for that purpose may break up streets with consent of the Road Authority (Paragraph 14).

Application has been made for a supply of gas from ratepayers in Blantyre, which is not within the limits of the Hamilton Gas Acts, but immediately adjoins the Burgh boundaries. The Petitioners are willing and able to give such supply if the County Council give their consent, but the County Council have not yet given a reply. It is believed that if the Order is passed the Act of 1876 will be adopted in Blantyre Special Lighting District, although a supply of gas could be got from the Petitioners at a cheaper rate than gas could be manufactured and supplied by the District Committee (Paragraph 16).

The gas rate in Hamilton is stated to be the lowest in Scotland, viz., 1s. 8½d. per 1,000 cubic feet for lighting, and 1s. 5½d. for public lighting and power purposes. The Petitioners submit that gas works to supply Blantyre are unnecessary, and that it would be a saving of capital expenditure and prove more economical to allow the Petitioners to supply gas in the usual way, or for the District Committee to take a supply from them in bulk (Paragraph 16).

The Petitioners object to the proposal in Clause 5 (2) that the County Council should levy the Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate along with and as part of that portion of the Consolidated County Rates known as the General Purposes Rate. In Burghs the Gas Contingent Guarantee Rate, under the Act of 1876, is levied in like manner and subject to the same exemptions as the Burgh General Assessment, which is levied on occupiers only, and with a deduction of three-fourths of the gross rental of certain subjects mentioned in Section 347 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892. In Counties the General Purposes Assessment is levied on the gross rental of lands and heritages, and is payable equally by owners and tenants. The Petitioners object to the incidence of the rate under the Order as property belonging to them, such as water and gas pipes, waterworks, sewers, and sewage works will be assessed on their full value in respect of ownership and occupancy. The Petitioners contend that public sewers and drains ought to be exempt from the rate, and that owners

of property ought not to be chargeable with it. The proposals of the Order in regard to rating are said to be contrary to the general law (Paragraph 17).

It is alleged that the Petitioners have gas and water pipes and sewers in the area of the County Council and within special lighting districts in the County which may be affected in carrying out the provisions of the Order, and no provision is made for the protection of these (Paragraph 18).

As the Petitioners are at present supplying and are willing to supply gas to any person within the limits of the Hamilton Gas Acts, and so far as these Acts authorise them, within the area under the jurisdiction of the County Council, the Petitioners submit that, if the Order is passed and put in operation within any part of the limits under the Hamilton Gas Acts, provision should be made for compensating the Petitioners for any loss or damage sustained by reason thereof, and for any works executed by them within any lighting district formed or to be formed (Paragraph 19).

Although the Preamble refers to the desirability of the District Committee being authorised to supply gas beyond the area of a special lighting district, where the area of this may not be conterminous with the area of a gas company, whose undertaking may have been acquired, it is alleged that there is no clause in the Order dealing with this matter, and that if it is intended to be dealt with by Clause 4 (1) or any other clause in the Order the Petitioners object to such power being given (Paragraph 20).

Objection is made to the powers proposed to be conferred by the Order as being unnecessary and unprecedented (Paragraph 21).

It is averred that the Order will affect the rights and interests of the Petitioners prejudicially and injuriously (Paragraph 22).

PETITION OF THE PROVOST, MAGISTRATES, AND COUNCILLORS OF THE BURGH OF MOTHERWELL AND THE MOTHERWELL GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

This is a joint Petition by the Town Council of Motherwell and the Motherwell Gas Company, Limited.

It narrates that the Motherwell Gas Company, Limited, supply gas to the whole Burgh of Motherwell and to districts adjacent thereto in the County (Paragraph 8).

The Petitioners, the Town Council of Motherwell, have adopted the Act of 1876 and an arbitration is proceeding, at the present time, between them and the Motherwell Gas Company, Limited, to

determine the price to be paid to the Company for their undertaking, which is to be transferred to the Town Council as from 31st May, 1913 (Paragraphs 9 and 10).

It is alleged that the Company have laid pipes in the areas adjacent to the Burgh, and these areas which are at present being supplied with gas by the Company are within the jurisdiction of the County Authorities, although not within Special Lighting Districts. The Petitioners object to any interference with their rights within the areas adjacent to the Burgh (Paragraph 14).

The other objections in this Petition are identical with the objections in the Hamilton Petition, and further reference to them is unnecessary.

PETITION OF THE CARFIN, NEWARTHILL, CLELAND, AND DISTRICTS GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Petitioners are a Limited Company incorporated under the Company's Consolidation Act, 1908, on 11th May, 1912. In July, 1912, they took over the undertaking carried on for several years prior to that date by Mr. William Grant Grieve, Gas Engineer, under the firm name of the Carfin Gas Company (Paragraph 2).

The subscribed capital of the Company is £12,350, and their gas works are situated at Carfin. The area supplied by them with gas by main pipes and branches includes the districts of Carfin, Newarthill, Cleland, Bellside, and the immediately surrounding districts, comprising the Newarthill Special Lighting District, the Cleland and Omoa Special Lighting District, and part of the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District, and other parts outwith special lighting districts, but all within the County of Lanark. They also supply gas within the Burgh of Motherwell so far as affects Cleekhimin, and broadly speaking, that part of the Burgh which lies within the Parish of Bothwell (Paragraph 3).

Motherwell Town Council, in August, 1913, adopted the Act of 1876, and have resolved to exercise the powers of purchasing the undertaking of companies supplying gas within the Burgh and adjoining districts (Paragraph 4).

The Petitioners submit that the provisions of the Act of 1876, proposed to be amended and adopted in the County, are not applicable or suitable, in respect that their works, while situated in the County, supply gas not only within Special Lighting Districts therein but also within the Burgh of Motherwell. In the case of both the District Com-

mittee and the Town Council of Motherwell adopting the Act of 1876 and putting its powers in force, no provision is made in the Order for dealing with the questions which would then arise as affecting the Petitioners (Paragraph 6).

The Petitioners also object to Clause 4 (1) of the Order as regards the Special Lighting Districts of Carfin, Newarthill, and Cleland, as they would be placed in a position of great difficulty, having regard to the fact that their works are situated in one Special Lighting District, while the District Committee might adopt the Act in a different district and be able to evade the conditions provided for the Petitioners' protection by Section 21 of the Act of 1876. For the same reason the Petitioners object to Clause 4 (10) (Paragraph 7).

The Petitioners also object to Clause 6 of the Order, as under it the District Committee might adopt the Act in a district adjoining those supplied with gas by the Petitioners, and, after purchasing the undertaking of any gas company supplying the district with gas, or after fulfilling the provisions of Section 21 of the Act of 1876 they might establish new gas works there and proceed to supply the districts supplied by the Petitioners, without carrying out the provisions of the Act of 1876, and negotiating with the Petitioners for the purchase of their gas works (Paragraph 8).

The Petitioners submit that the alteration of the general law proposed by the Order should not be sanctioned unless by general legislation (Paragraph 9).

The powers sought by the County Authorities are said to be unnecessary, and the proposals are said to be unprecedented and contrary to practice (Paragraph 10).

APPENDIX II.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON LANARKSHIRE GAS ORDER, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 25th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914. 25th March, 1914.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
James H. Fenton.
George Fraser.
Robert Lambie.
J. C. Pollok.
William Speirs.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to District Committee of Middle Ward.
Jas. A. M'Callum, Clerk to District Committee of Lower Ward.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk reported that negotiations had taken place with the Petitioners against the Order, and as a result of these it had been agreed to insert in the Order, subject to the approval of the Commissioners, a clause to remove difficulties raised by the Burghs of Hamilton and Motherwell, and these burghs had abandoned their opposition. This clause had been adjusted at a meeting with the Parliamentary Agents, at which the chairman, the County Clerk, and Mr. Whyte had been present. No settlement had, however, been come to with the remaining Petitioners—the Carfin, Newarthill, Cleland and Districts Gas Company, Limited. The Clerk explained generally the objections raised by this Company. He also submitted a letter which he had received from the Agent for the Company, asking if anything could be suggested which would meet his clients' objections, and a copy of the letter which he had sent in reply, stating that, on the most careful consideration, and after consulting with the County Council's Parliamentary Agents, the County Council could not see that there was anything which could be done under the Order to meet the views of his clients. The committee approved of the action taken by the Clerk. *Report by Clerk.*

The Clerk reported that the Order would probably be reached by the Commissioners on Friday, 27th current, and that he had retained Counsel.

The committee instructed the Clerk to obtain expert evidence with regard to the "Gas Fittings" Clause, as proposed in Clause 6 of the Order.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

29th April, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 29th April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
William Bell.	J. C. Pollok.
James H. Fenton.	Joseph Sullivan.
George Fraser.	William Templeton.
Robert Lambie.	James Tonner.
William Love,	James C. Hope Vere.

Attending—

A. W. Paterson, District Clerk, Lanark.
W. E. Whyte, District Clerk, Hamilton.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st April, 1914, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved and signed.

Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Bill.

With reference to the Motherwell Burgh Extension, &c., Bill, the Clerk reported further communications, and an interview which had taken place with representatives of the Town Council of Motherwell, but that no settlement had been come to. He also stated that, on 25th current, the Town-Clerk had intimated to him that the promoters would call upon the County Council to produce, before the Committee of the House of Lords, the reports of Sir Alexander R. Binnie, dated 11th April, 1912, on water supplies in Mid-Lanark.

With reference to the letter, of date 3rd March, received from the Town-Clerk of Motherwell, which is referred to in the minutes of the last meeting, the Clerk submitted a letter which he proposed to send in reply to the Town-Clerk, and which was in the following terms:—

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 29th April, 1914.

"Dear Sir,

"Motherwell Extension, &c., Bill.

"I beg to refer further to your letter of the 3rd ultimo.

"My committee, equally with the Town Council, are anxious to avoid a Parliamentary contest, but, after careful consideration, they regret they cannot regard the proposals contained in your letter as dealing adequately with the various matters in which the Bill will affect the interests of the County. These matters are fully stated in the County Petition, and I do not need to recapitulate them.

"Yours faithfully,
"THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*"

"James Burns, Esq.,
"Town-Clerk,
"Motherwell."

The committee approved of the Clerk's reply.

The chairman reported that the sub-committee appointed with reference to the Bill had had a consultation with Counsel in London, and he explained Counsel's views on the County's case.

After a general discussion, the committee agreed to leave the conduct of the County's opposition to the Bill in the hands of the sub-committee already appointed, with the addition of Mr. J. C. Hope Vere and Mr. William Speirs.

Lanarkshire Gas Order.

The minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Lanarkshire Gas Order, of dates 1st and 8th April, 1914 (Appendix I.), which had been printed and copies sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved.

The Clerk reminded the meeting of the request by the Town Council of Lanark that the same protection as had been given to the Burghs of Hamilton and Motherwell should be given to the Burgh of Lanark. The committee agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk.

Lanark County Tramways.

The minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Lanark County Tramways, of date 22nd April, 1914 (Appendix II.), which had been printed and copies sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved.

Coatbridge Drainage and Sewage Purification Order.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the Coatbridge Drainage and Burgh Extension Order, 1914, and he submitted and read a letter which he had received from the Town-Clerk of Coatbridge, and which was in the following terms:—

"Town-Clerk's Office,
"Coatbridge, 21st April, 1914.

"Sir,

"COATBRIDGE PROVISIONAL ORDER.

"For your use, I send you herewith three copies of the Provisional Order being promoted by my Town Council.

"On perusal thereof and of the deposited plans you will observe—

"*First*, (1) so far as the Sewage Purification Works are concerned, the scheme is for the purpose of carrying out the works approved by Mr. Carter, and that, with two exceptions, they will be confined wholly to the territory of the Burgh. The two exceptions in question are the effluent-discharge pipe leading out of a small subsidiary work for the Old Monkland Area; and

"(2) Part of the ground upon which the main works are to be situated in the glen of the Luggie Burn.

"*Second.* (1) With reference to the Burgh extension part of the scheme, you will observe on perusal of the Order that the Town Council are not proposing to attach to their area any valuable rating area belonging to the County. The extension merely embraces those portions of the Luggie Glen outside of the Burgh, and which are proposed to be acquired for the purpose of erecting the works. The Town Council feel it would be inexpedient to have their Sewage Purification Works situated partly within their own territory and partly within the territory of the County.

"Perhaps it might be advisable if we were to have a meeting in reference to the matter, so that any interest proposed to be affected could be talked over, and matters properly adjusted.

"Yours truly,

"JOHN ALSTON,
"*Town-Clerk.*"

"Sir THOMAS MUNRO,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton."

The Clerk explained the provisions of the Order generally, and, after discussion, the committee remitted the matter to the Chairman, the County Clerk, and the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, with power to lodge a petition against the Order should they think it necessary.

Glasgow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill.

With reference to the Glagow Corporation (Water, Tramways, &c.) Bill, the Clerk reported that he had received a letter from the Town-Clerk, Glasgow, stating that the Corporation had resolved not to proceed further with the proposals in the Bill relating to river works.

APPENDIX I.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON LANARKSHIRE GAS ORDER, 1914.

1st April, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 1st April, 1914, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
JAMES H. FENTON.	J. C. POLLOK.
GEORGE FRASER.	WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Attending—

A. W. PATERSON, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward;
W. E. WHYTE, Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.

Chairman. Mr, George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was intimated from the Convener.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 25th March, 1914, which had been submitted to and approved by the Parliamentary Bills Committee, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Report by Clerk. The Clerk reported that he was not yet in a position to say when this Order would be reached by the Commissioners, but stated that he would communicate with members of the sub-committee immediately he received definite information.

The Clerk also reported that he had had, along with Counsel, a meeting with Counsel and Agent for the Carfin, &c., Gas Company, with a view to the adjusting of a clause which would be satisfactory to the Company, but that no settlement had been arrived at. The meeting agreed to continue in the hands of the County Clerk and District Clerk to treat with the Company should any further overtures be made by them.

Letter from Town-Clerk, Lanark. There was submitted and read a letter from the Town-Clerk, Lanark, requesting that his Town Council should be afforded the same protection as the Committee had agreed to afford to the Burghs of Hamilton and Motherwell. The meeting, after consideration, while being of the opinion that the rights of the Burgh of Lanark were not being prejudiced by the Order, agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the County Clerk.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 8th April, 1914, being a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the Lanarkshire Gas Order, 1914. 8th April, 1914.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan. Robert Lambie.
George Fraser. Colonel King Stewart.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of last meeting of the sub-committee, of date 1st April, 1914, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that this Order had been taken by the Commissioners on Friday, 3rd April, when the preamble was found proved, and that the Order would now be reported to the Secretary for Scotland. He also reported that, in addition to the clause which had been previously adjusted for the protection of the Burghs of Hamilton and Motherwell, two additional clauses had been inserted in the Order at the hearing before the Commissioners—one a sub-clause from the Model Bill, providing for fittings, &c., being supplied by a contractor, and the other a clause for the protection of the Carfin, Newarthill, Cleland, and Districts Gas Company and their successors (including the Burgh of Motherwell). The Clerk submitted and read this last clause to the committee, and explained that it had been inserted mainly to get over the difficulty which had arisen on account of the Town Council of Motherwell's adoption of the Gas Acts, which may involve the purchase by them of the whole of the Carfin, &c., Company's undertaking, the greater portion of which is situated in the County. *Report by Clerk.*

The committee approved of the clauses which had been inserted, and expressed satisfaction that the Order had been passed.

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APPENDIX II.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON LANARK COUNTY TRAMWAYS.

22nd April, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 22nd April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council, appointed with reference to Lanark County Tramways.

Present—

GEORGE FRASER. | GAVIN A. SHANKS.
ROBERT LAMBIE. | WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Attending—

ALEXANDER SCOTT, C.E.
G. F. MOLLER, M.I.E.E.

Chairman. Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the sub-committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Condition of roads. The Clerk reminded the meeting of the complaints which had been received regarding the condition of the roads on which tramway lines had been laid, and suggested that the best way of dealing with the question would probably be for the County Council to make a contribution towards the cost of repairing the roads to the District Committee. The meeting approved of this suggestion, and left it in the hands of Mr. Shanks and the Clerk to consider the amount to be paid to the District Committee.

Proposed construction of manholes. The Clerk reported that Mr. Douglass, District Engineer, desired that the County Council should put down manholes at Uddingston Cross, at the first cross streets from Uddingston Cross, in Main Street, Bellshill, and at New Stevenston Cross. It was explained that at these places the tramway lines had been laid upon the sewers, and that, should any operations be necessary on the sewers in future, the tramway track would require to be lifted, and possibly the car traffic would be interfered with. After an expression of opinion, the committee agreed to leave the matter with Mr. Shanks and the Clerk for further consideration.

Road improvement near Uddingston. The Clerk reported that Major Pringle had drawn attention to the fact that the tramway lines are laid within a very short distance of the fences of the properties on the south side of the road near Uddingston Cross. The meeting agreed that, if the ground could be got free, the County Council should carry out a road improvement at this place, and instructed the Clerk to communicate with the proprietors and ascertain whether they would be prepared to give up the necessary ground for the improvement.

A claim amounting to £13 was submitted from Mr. William Wilson, carter, Uddingston, who alleges that access to his stable and yard had been cut off during the tramway operations, and that, consequently, he had to pay for stabling elsewhere. He further alleges that he had to make alterations to the entrance to his yard, and that he had to take down his gate and put it up again. The Clerk reminded the committee of their visit to this place during the inspection of the routes, and of the proposal then made that a sum of £5 should be offered to Mr. Wilson in settlement of his claim. He stated that Mr. Wilson had refused this offer. After hearing Mr. Moller, who explained that there was a certain amount of inconvenience caused to Wilson, but that he (Mr. Moller) had offered accommodation for stabling, which was refused, the committee agreed to leave the matter with Mr. Shanks and the Clerk, with power to settle the claim. *Claim by William Wilson, carter.*

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. Douglass, District Engineer, stating that the erection of the tramway poles in Coal Road, Uddingston, had blocked the light of certain of the lamps, and that brackets would require to be placed on some of the tramway poles to remove this difficulty. The Clerk reminded the meeting that, at the inspection, opinions had been expressed that even this would not get rid of the difficulty, as it would merely throw the shadow on another part of the road. The committee agreed that, in the circumstances, nothing should be done in the matter. *Lighting in Coal Road, Uddingston.*

With reference to the complaint by Mr. Scobbie that the roadway in front of his property in Bellshill Road had been raised, causing water to collect and lie round the foundation of the property, Mr. Moller reported that the centre of the roadway had actually been lowered, but that a steeper slope had been left from the edge of the lines, and that the complaint might be remedied by a pipe or channel being put in. The meeting agreed to leave the matter in Mr. Moller's hands. *Complaint by Mr. Scobbie.*

The Clerk reported that the work of the erection of a retaining wall at Mr. King's property at Fallside Bridge had now been completed, but that nothing had yet been done with regard to the request by the Road Surveyor that the retaining wall should be carried further along the road. He stated that the position here was peculiar in respect that the field is almost on a level with the road, and that the bank, for which the wall was required, is really unnecessary. After hearing Mr. Moller, the committee agreed that it was not necessary to incur the expense of building a retaining wall, but that wooden sleepers should be put in. *Retaining wall at Mr. King's entrance.*

With reference to the proposed improvement opposite Thistle Bank, in Clydesdale Road, Mossend, the Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Charles Paterson, the proprietor of the ground, requesting that some consideration be paid to him in respect of the ground which it was proposed to acquire. After consideration, the committee agreed that the necessity for this improvement was not such as would justify them in giving any monetary consideration for the ground, but that they would be prepared to carry out the improvement and build a new wall provided the proprietor gave up the necessary ground free. The Clerk was instructed to communicate this to Mr. Paterson. *Proposed improvement at Thistle Bank.*

The Clerk reported that the improvement opposite Messrs. Chambers & Eynon's properties, at New Stevenston, was proceeding satisfactorily. *Improvement opposite Messrs. Chambers & Eynon's properties.*

The Clerk reported that the District Committee had made a claim against Mr. Alex. Brown, Stevenston Mains, for the cost of replacing a lamp-post knocked down by a hay-cart belonging to him, and that Mr. Brown had alleged that the accident was, indirectly, due to the tramway operations having left an insufficient space between the pavement and the edge of the opening. Mr. Moller had reported that other hay-carts had passed the same place in safety, *Damage to lamp post at Mossend.*

and that he thought the accident was attributable to the carter's negligence and carelessness. The District Committee had had several communications with Mr. Brown on the subject, and it was now suggested that the matter might be settled by the County Council making an *ex gratia* payment of one-third of the cost, *i.e.*, £1 15s. 6d. The meeting agreed to this suggestion, and authorised the Clerk to make payment of this amount to the District Committee.

Board of Trade's regulations.

There was submitted a letter from the Board of Trade intimating that Regulations and a Bye-law had now been issued regarding the use of electrical power on the portion of the lines last constructed.

Major Pringle's reports.

The Clerk stated that Mr. Moller had reported to him that all the points raised by Major Pringle in his reports had now been attended to.

Claim by Mrs. Burnfield.

There was submitted a letter from Mr. James M'Burnie, solicitor, Bellshill, intimating a claim on behalf of Mrs. Burnfield, 43 Clydesdale Road, Mossend, who is alleged to have fallen into an open drain or other excavation made in connection with the laying of the tramways at the Railway Bridge, Calder Road, Mossend, and requesting that the committee should admit liability in the matter. The Clerk submitted and read a report by Mr. Moller regarding the accident, and, after consideration, the committee agreed that they could not admit liability.

Connections from drain boxes.

A letter from Mr. Douglass, District Engineer, was submitted, regarding the terms on which the District Committee were prepared to allow a connection to be made from the drain-box to a sewer in Calder Road, Mossend. The committee agreed that these terms should be accepted.

A letter was also submitted from Mr. L. B. White, requesting that 10s. per annum should be paid to him for a connection from a drain-box to a private drain at his property at Mossend. The committee instructed the Clerk to communicate with Mr. White with a view to his allowing the connection to be made free of charge.

Request for retaining wall at south of Fallside Bridge.

The Clerk submitted a letter which he had received from Messrs. Keith & Patrick, agents for Colonel Aikman, requesting that a retaining wall should be built at the ground belonging to their client at Fallside Bridge. After hearing Mr. Moller and Mr. Scott on the matter, the committee decided that such a wall was unnecessary, but agreed that wooden sleepers should be put in at the place in order to obviate any possible chance of the ground falling, and that, if necessary, the Clerk should give an undertaking to Messrs. Keith & Patrick that, in the event of the ground falling, the County Council would make good the damage.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT, 1911.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 14th January, 1914, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed under the National Insurance Act. 14th January, 1914.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN.	JAMES KELLY.
WILLIAM DAVIE.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
JAMES H. FENTON.	WILLIAM SPEIRS.
GEORGE FRASER.	Colonel KING STEWART.

Attending—

Dr. WILSON, County Medical Officer.

Colonel King Stewart was appointed chairman of the committee, and the quorum was fixed at three. *Chairman. Quorum.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 26th November, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that, following upon the last meeting of the committee, he had communicated with the Insurance Commissioners and the Local Government Board, suggesting a meeting to confer on the subject of Sanatorium Benefit, and he submitted the replies received, which were as follows, viz.:— *Communications from Insurance Commissioners and Local Government Board.*

"National Health Insurance Commission, Scotland.
"83 Princes Street,
"Edinburgh, 2nd December, 1913.

"No. I.C. 42972-4.

"SIR,

"SANATORIUM BENEFIT.

"With reference to your letter of 28th ultimo, in which a desire is expressed that a committee of the County Council should have an opportunity of conferring with the Commissioners in regard to a matter closely related to the question of the treatment of tuberculosis in the County generally, I have to say that the Commissioners will be ready to receive a deputation from the committee on 12th instant, at, say, 3 p.m. I shall be glad to know if the day and hour mentioned are suitable.

"I am, &c.,

(Signed) "H. L. F. FRASER,
"*Assistant Secretary.*"

"Local Government Board,
"Edinburgh, 3rd December, 1913.

"No. 101,313.
"SIR,

"TUBERCULOSIS.

"I have submitted to the Board your letter of 28th ultimo, enclosing copy of a letter from the National Health Insurance Commission, asking whether the County Council of the County of Lanark is prepared, on its part, to sanction the estimated expenditure of the Insurance Committee for the County of Lanark on Sanatorium Benefit for insured persons and dependants for the year commencing 13th January, 1914, and in which you suggest that, in view of the fact that the question which arises under the National Insurance Act is intimately connected with the administration of the treatment of tuberculosis generally throughout the County, a joint-interview between the Committee of the County Council and the Local Government Board and National Health Insurance Committee might be arranged.

"As you are aware, the question is one for the County Council to decide. In coming to a decision they will no doubt keep in view that whether the expenditure on treatment of the dependants of insured persons is incurred direct by the Public Health Local Authorities or through the Insurance Committees, one-half of such expenditure will be met out of the Government Grant.

"In these circumstances, and in view of the fact that there is no additional information which, so far as they can see, they could supply to the County Council, the Board do not think any useful purpose would be served by the proposed joint-meeting.

"I am, SIR,
"Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) "DAVID BROWN,
"*Assistant Secretary.*"

Meeting with Insurance Commissioners.

The Clerk stated that the members of the sub-committee appointed at last meeting, with the exception of Mr. Speirs, along with the County Medical Officer and himself, had had an interview with the Insurance Commissioners at Edinburgh on 12th December last, and he reported generally the views which the Commissioners then expressed.

Communications from Upper and Middle Ward District Committees.

The Clerk also stated that, subsequent to the date of the interview with the Insurance Commissioners, he had received communications from the Clerks to the Upper and Middle Ward District Committees, which were in the following terms, viz.:—

DISTRICT OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 22*nd December*, 1913.

DEAR SIR,

TUBERCULOSIS.

TREATMENT OF DEPENDANTS.

The Middle Ward District Committee have had under consideration, in connection with their Scheme for the treatment of Tuberculosis, the effect of the proposal of the County of Lanark Insurance Committee to extend sanatorium benefit to the dependants of insured persons, in relation to which proposal they understand the Insurance Committee have made a request to the County Council that the latter should become liable to make good one-half the cost of such benefit for insured persons and dependants in excess of the amount available to the Insurance Committee for the purpose. The District

Committee at the present time—as the County Council are aware—are responsible for, and undertake the treatment of all non-insured persons, including dependants suffering from the disease within their district, and the Insurance Committee's proposal would accordingly interfere with and considerably disturb the existing arrangements and machinery. A memorandum on the subject prepared by the Medical Officer of Health and myself was considered by the District Committee at their meeting on Friday last, when a resolution was proposed that the Committee should respectfully represent to the County Council that they should not do anything which would have the effect of disturbing existing arrangements and taking away from the District Committee's immediate jurisdiction such a large proportion of the persons under their charge, especially as no possible advantage could accrue from such a change. To this motion an amendment was moved that consideration of the matter be continued with a view to a meeting being arranged with the Insurance Committee. On a division, the motion was carried—only three members voting for the amendment. I was accordingly directed to acquaint you of the resolution and to transmit to you for the information of your Committee a print of the memorandum in question, which I now do.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) W. E. WHYTE.

P.S.—I shall be very pleased to furnish you with extra copies of the Memorandum (which fully sets out the situation as it appears to the District Committee) for the use of your members if you so desire.

(Intld.) W. E. W.

District Offices,

LANARK, 23*rd December*, 1913.

Dear Sir,

TUBERCULOSIS.

With reference to the application of the County of Lanark Insurance Committee to the County Council to bear one-half of the deficit on the treatment of insured persons and dependants, it is, perhaps, only right that your Committee should be aware of the views of my District Committee on that question, and accordingly I send you herewith a copy of a Resolution of my Tuberculosis Committee, of date 18th August last, and which has been approved by the District Committee.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) A. W. PATERSON,

p. James Spence.

"*Copy Resolution of Tuberculosis Committee, of 18th August, 1913.*

With reference to minutes of last meeting, there was read a communication from the Local Government Board stating that, where schemes were approved of, Maintenance Grants to the amount of one-half of the annual expenditure of the Local Authority on Tuberculosis since 15th July, 1912, would be made by the Treasury. The communication also contained the following statement:—"If the County Council or Town Council decline to sanction the estimated expenditure of the Insurance Committee, and if, for this or any other reason, the Insurance Committee's arrangements do not include treatment of all insured persons and dependants, the responsibility for treating such persons and dependants as are not included in the Committee's arrangements, as well as the remainder of the population, would fall on the Public Health Local Authority, and one-half of the cost would be met out of the grant." The Committee were agreed

that the communication made it quite clear that no advantage was to be gained by allowing the County Insurance Committee to take the responsibility for the treatment of dependants out of the hands of the District Committee."

The Clerk stated that a copy of the above communications, together with a print of the Memorandum referred to in the postscript to the letter from the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, had been sent to each member of the committee.

Statement by Clerk.—Matter continued.

The meeting, after discussion, and the Clerk having expressed his views on the question as affecting the County as a whole, and especially as regards its financial aspect, the meeting agreed to continue the matter for further consideration.

Letter from Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication which he had received from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 26th December, 1913, together with the Heads of Agreement therein referred to. A copy of the letter and Heads of Agreement form an appendix to this minute.

Adjustment of Agreement.—Remit to Clerk.

The Clerk stated that while the Agreement on certain points would require adjustment, he did not anticipate any difficulty as regards essentials, and the meeting remitted to him to adjust the Agreement with the District Clerks.

Estate of Hairmyres.

With regard to the estate of Hairmyres, the Clerk was authorised to inform the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward that arrangements might be proceeded with, on the assumption that the land and buildings would be made available by the County Council for the purposes of the scheme agreed to by the several District Committees.

APPENDIX.

DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

District Offices,
Hamilton, 26th December, 1913.

DEAR SIR,

TUBERCULOSIS.

I refer to the schemes formulated by the Upper, Middle, and Lower Ward Districts of the County for the treatment of Tuberculosis, copies of which were transmitted to you some time ago. These schemes have been carefully considered by the Local Government Board and by the National Health Insurance Commissioners, and at the request of the former a conference took place between them and representatives of the three District Committees on 21st October last. At that conference the Board suggested that some arrangement should be come to among the three District Committees, whereby, as a basis, the various institutions and services of the three Wards (including the acquisition by the Middle Ward of the Hairmyres Home or the provision of some other central institution as a Sanatorium or Work Colony) might be made common for the needs of the Upper, Middle, and Lower Ward Districts, and expressed the view that, if such an arrangement could be made, they would have no difficulty, nor would the Insurance Commissioners, in approving the three schemes. The representatives of the three District Committees, having considered the suggestion, unanimously agreed therewith, and remitted to the District Clerks to draw up Heads of Agreement giving effect thereto. Heads of Agreement were accordingly prepared and agreed on among the three Clerks, and thereafter transmitted to the Board, who intimated, on 25th November,

their general approval of same, subject to certain qualifications. A copy of the Heads of Agreement and of the Board's letter are sent herewith. The Middle Ward District Committee—they are the Authority who have made provision for cases of surgical tuberculosis—having agreed to the modification of the Third Article of the Heads of Agreement suggested by the Board, the Heads of Agreement and the Board's letter were thereupon submitted to each District Committee, and have now been approved by them. I have accordingly been directed to communicate these modifications of the original schemes to you for the information of the County Council, and to request that, in order to enable the proposals to be carried into effect by the three District Committees, the County Council should now agree to transfer the Hairmyres Home to the Middle Ward District Committee. There is considerable urgency for having matters brought to a conclusion, in order that applications for capital grants may be formulated and presented to the Local Government Board, and also to allow of the Middle Ward proceeding with the necessary alterations at Hairmyres if the institution is to be made over to them, and it will be a favour, therefore, if the Council's decision with regard to the Hairmyres Home can be given as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,

W. E. WHYTE.

THOS. MUNRO, Esq.,
County Clerk,
Hamilton.

TUBERCULOSIS.

HEADS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT AMONG THE DISTRICT COMMITTEES OF THE UPPER, MIDDLE, AND LOWER WARDS OF THE COUNTY.

First.—The schemes for the Upper, Middle, and Lower Wards of the County shall, subject as aftermentioned, be those formulated by the respective District Committees, and presented to the Local Government Board.

Second.—On the understanding that the Hairmyres Home will be made over by the County Council for the purpose of Tuberculosis Treatment, including Sanatorium and Work Colony, the Middle Ward will acquire the said institution, and adapt same to the satisfaction of the Local Government Board as part of their scheme. The Upper and Lower Wards shall thereupon have incorporated into their schemes the right to send patients from their respective districts to the said institution on an equal basis with patients from the Middle Ward. The terms of payment to be made to the Middle Ward by the Upper and Lower Wards (on the basis that no profit shall accrue to the Middle Ward) in respect of the provision to be afforded to them shall be the subject of an Agreement among the three Wards, and in the event of any difference arising with respect thereto, the same shall be determined by the Local Government Board.

Third.—Notwithstanding that the three schemes have been separately formulated and presented to the Local Government Board by the three Wards, it is agreed that the whole institutions existing and contemplated thereunder (including any special facilities or services attached to the said institutions or any of them) shall be available for all the Wards, subject to this qualification—that each Ward shall have first claim on its own institutions. In respect thereof, the Agreement hereinafter referred to shall provide for the terms that are to apply to the said arrangement (on the basis that no profit shall accrue to any of the Wards), and an accounting shall be made at the close of each financial year (15th May) as between the several District Com-

mittees with respect to the sums payable one to the other. In the event of difference as to terms, or as to the other provisions of this Article, the same shall be determined by the Local Government Board.

Fourth.—The existing arrangements are approved, under which the County Medical Officer is and shall be chief Administrative Tuberculosis Officer for the three Wards, and his services, and those of the Senior Assistant County Medical Officer and Tuberculosis Officer, are and shall be common to the three Wards; and the other members of the Tuberculosis Medical Staff, while nominated by the respective Wards, with special reference to their own requirements, are and shall be appointed by the County Council on the understanding that the services of these officers shall, subject to the requirements of their special districts, be available as necessity may arise and the County Medical Officer shall direct to the other Wards. The County Medical Officer shall regulate the admission of all patients to the various institutions, and he shall also supervise and regulate the duties of the various other officers. The whole foregoing appointments shall be subject to the approval of the Local Government Board, and to any regulations which the Board may specify thereanent.

Fifth.—A formal Agreement will be prepared and entered into incorporating in proper form the foregoing arrangement, which Agreement shall be subject to the Board's approval.

Sixth.—The said Agreement will provide that the above arrangement shall not be terminable or subject to alteration unless with the concurrence of all the Local Authorities and the approval of the Local Government Board.

Edinburgh, 25th November 1913.

SIR,

TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME.

I have submitted to the Local Government Board your letter of 29th October and relative draft Heads of Agreement adjusted by the Clerks to the three District Committees, and, in reply, I am directed to express the Board's general approval thereof.

In the Third Head, however, the Board consider that the qualification that each Ward shall have first claim on its own institution should not apply in the case of accommodation provided for cases of surgical tuberculosis.

The Board are also of opinion that, should any difference arise in adjusting the terms of the Agreement, the Local Authorities should agree to refer such difference to the Board for their determination.

I shall be glad to be informed in due course of the decision of the District Committees.

I am, SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) DAVID BROWN,
Assistant Secretary.

W. E. WHYTE, Esq.,
Clerk to the Middle Ward
District Committee,
District Offices,
Hamilton.

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MINUTES

OF THE

COUNTY ROAD BOARD

OF THE

COUNTY OF LANARK.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 21st January, 1914, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark. 21st January, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Rev. George Goodfellow.
James Anderson.	J. Hamilton Houldsworth.
J. Raeside Auld.	William K. Jackson.
William Barr.	James Kelly.
Colonel Buchanan.	Robert Lambie.
James Cameron.	Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
John Campbell.	
W. W. Chapman.	William Love.
Owen Coyle.	James C. Pollok.
William Davie.	Robert Sharp.
Nathaniel D. I O. Gold.	Colonel King Stewart.

Thomas Watt.

Colonel King Stewart was unanimously appointed chairman of the Board, and the quorum was fixed at seven. *Appointment of Chairman. Quorum.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, of date 19th November, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Secretary of the Road Board, which was in the following terms, viz.:— *Letter from Imperial Road Board.*

"London, S.W., 13th January, 1914.

"Sir,

"I am desired by the chairman to inform you that he will be at Glasgow on the 27th instant, when he would be prepared to confer with any representatives of the County of Lanark as to the road improvement works in contemplation for the ensuing year, in respect of which applications are to be made to the Road Board for assistance, so that some estimate may be made of the amount likely to be required for grants and loans.

"The chairman will be at the St. Enoch Station Hotel, and will hold himself free to grant interviews from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the 27th instant.

"Will you be good enough to let me know whether any representatives of the County Council, with the County Surveyor, would wish to have an interview within the times mentioned above?

"I am, &c.,

"W. REES JEFFREYS,
Secretary."

Meeting with chairman of Board.

The meeting, having considered the matter, agreed that it was desirable that the chairman of the Board, together with the chairman of the three District Committees and the County Clerk, should meet with Sir George Gibb, the chairman of the Road Board, and resolved accordingly.

Representatives of District Committee to attend.

It was also agreed that the District Committees should be invited to appoint such representatives as they might see fit to appoint, to attend the meeting, and it was remitted to the Clerk to arrange for a preliminary meeting of the representatives of this Board and of the District Committees, with a view to a consideration of the proposals to be submitted with reference to the improvement works within the various districts in connection with which applications for grants were intended to be made.

Grants received from Imperial Road Board.

The Clerk intimated that, since the date of last meeting, he had received the following grants from the Imperial Road Board, viz.:—

4th December, 1913.—Grant No. 1314 (Middle Ward), final payment, ...	£170
6th January, 1914.—Grant No. 1781 (Upper Ward), final payment, ...	312

Recommendation of Middle Ward District Committee to take over Carrick Drive, Parish of Old Monkland, as a highway.

There was laid before the meeting a resolution by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, as contained in the minutes of that committee, of date 19th July, 1913, recommending that Carrick Drive, in the Parish of Old Monkland, from the boundary with the District of the Lower Ward to the east boundary of feu of villa known as "Pilmar," at Mount Vernon, measuring 1 furlong 153 yards, or thereby, should be taken over as a highway.

District Road Surveyor's Certificate.

The Clerk also submitted a certificate by the District Road Surveyor certifying that the road in question was in a good and efficient state of repair for being assumed as a highway.

Meeting's decision.

The meeting resolved to recommend the County Council that the road, as above described, should be taken over and added to the list of highways, and the Clerk was instructed to give the necessary statutory notice of this recommendation.

Road improvements in Middle Ward District.

The Clerk laid before the meeting recommendations by the District Committee of the Middle Ward relating to—

(1) The improvement of the Carmyle Avenue highway at Carmyle, in the Parish of Old Monkland, at an estimated cost of £40; and

(2) The widening and improvement of the Motherwell Highway at Carfin, in the Parish of Bothwell, at an estimated cost of £35.

Meeting approve.

The meeting approved of these recommendations, and resolved accordingly.

Ancient Monuments of Scotland.—Communication from Secretary of Royal Commission.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a communication which he had received from the Secretary of the Royal Commission on the Ancient Monuments of Scotland, dated 10th December last, directing the attention of County Road Authorities to the injury which had been and was still being done in some districts of Scotland by taking the material of prehistoric forts, cairns, and other ancient monuments, and breaking it up for road metal, and using it for building purposes.

Statement by Clerk.

The Clerk stated that, while it had not been alleged that this County was one of the districts in which the practice complained of had been followed, he had sent a copy of the communication to the Clerks to the several District Committees, with a view to the attention of the District Road Surveyors being directed to the matter.

Regulation of heavy motor traffic, and lighting of vehicles.

The meeting having resumed consideration of the question of the regulation of heavy motor traffic, the Clerk reminded the Board that, at their meeting on 30th April last, a remit had been made to a committee to consider this question, and also the question of the lighting of vehicles. The meeting accordingly agreed to reconstitute and appoint the following committee to continue consideration of the matter, with a view to submitting a report thereon to a future meeting of the Board, viz.:—

Committee appointed to further consider matter and report.

John Adam.	Owen Coyle.
James Anderson.	James C. Pollok.
James Cameron.	Rev. C. M'Kune.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	Colonel King Stewart.
James C. Hope Vere.	

The Convener to be chairman of the committee, and three a quorum.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 1st April, 1914, being a Meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark.

1st April, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Rev. George Goodfellow.
James Anderson.	James Kelly.
J. Raeside Auld.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Love.
James Cameron.	Rev. C. M'Kune.
Walter C. B. Christie.	James C. Pollok.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	James Prentice.

Colonel King Stewart.

Chairman.

Colonel King Stewart, Chairman of the Board, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board, of date 21st January, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Board, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Proposed additions to list of highways.

There having been submitted recommendations by the District Committees of the Middle and Lower Wards of the County on the subject of highways, as specified in the notice, and the meeting, having considered the same, and the Clerk having stated that certificates had been obtained in each case from the Road Surveyor that the roads were in a satisfactory condition to be taken over, agreed that the County Council should be recommended that the following

roads should be declared to be highways within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and, as such, should be added to the List of the Roads, Highways, and Bridges made up under Section 41 thereof:—

In the District of the Middle Ward.

Parish of Dalserf.

Academy Street, from Muir Street, northwards, measuring 124 yards or thereby.

Parish of Old Monkland.

Carrick Drive, from the boundary with the District of the Lower Ward to the east boundary of feu of villa, known as "Pilmar" at Mount Vernon, measuring 1 furlong 153 yards or thereby.

In the District of the Lower Ward.

Parish of Glasgow.

(1) Mansion House Drive, from Hallhill Road to a point about 62 yards east from Albany Quadrant, a distance of 136 yards or thereby.

(2) Albany Terrace (including Albany Gardens and Victoria Gardens), from Mansion House Drive to Springboig Avenue, a distance of 1 furlong 8 yards or thereby.

(3) Windsor Street, from Springboig Road to Albany Terrace, a distance of 75 yards or thereby.

(4) Springboig Avenue, from Springboig Road to a point about 40 yards east from Albany Terrace, a distance of 122 yards or thereby.

(5) Albany Quadrant, from Mansion House Drive to the boundary wall of Hallhill Road, a distance of 44 yards or thereby.

Parish of Carmunnock.

Pathhead Road, from Kirk Road to Carmunnock Road, a distance of 192 yards or thereby.

Parish of Cadder.

Springfield Road, from Kirkintilloch Road to a point about 128 yards east from Old Springfield Road leading to Auchinairn, a distance of 3 furlongs 4 yards or thereby.

Road improvement, &c.

On the recommendation of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, the Board approved of the following:—

(1) Widening and improvement of Newmill Highway near Laighstonehall, in the Parish of Hamilton, at an estimated cost of £35;

(2) Construction of new footpaths for the year 1914-15, at an estimated cost of £2,500.

Grants from Imperial Road Board.

The Clerk intimated that since the date of last meeting he had received the following Grants from the Imperial Road Board, viz.:—

1914.

March 23—Upper Ward—

No. 423,	£253	
No. 424,	135	
No. 425,	201	
	——	£589

March 24—Middle Ward—			
	Nos. 1,317 and 1,318, -	£280	
„ 31	No. 1,306, - - -	143	
		——	- £423
February 21—Lower Ward—			
	No. 430, - - - - - -		£55

Applications by Upper Ward District Committee for grants from Imperial Road Board.

The Clerk stated that he had received from the Upper Ward District Committee the details of that Committee's application for Grants towards the improvement of roads within the District for the year 1914-15, and he submitted copy of a letter which he had addressed to the Clerks to the Middle and Lower Ward District Committees, stating that, having regard to the view expressed by Sir George Gibb at the meeting which representatives of the County Road Authorities had with him on 27th January last, he thought it would be desirable that applications for Grants for road improvements in the several districts should be transmitted to the Board at one and the same time.

Letters from Clerks to District Committees of Middle and Lower Wards.

The Clerk also submitted the replies received from the District Clerks of the Middle and Lower Wards, the former stating that the proposals of his District Committee had already been transmitted to the Board, and the latter giving a short statement of the works intended to be carried out.

Meeting agreed as to desirability of applications relating to road improvements being transmitted to Imperial Road Board through County Road Board.

The meeting agreed that it was desirable that in future all applications relating to improvements of roads within the County should be transmitted, through the County Road Board, to the Imperial Road Board, so far as possible at one time.

Proposals of Upper and Lower Ward District Committees.

Thereafter the Clerk laid before the meeting the proposals of the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees, which were as follows, viz.:—

I. Upper Ward District Committee:—

(1) Tar-macadam plant, ...	£800	0	0
(2) Improvement at Threepwood, Crossford, ...	450	0	0
(3) Tar-macadam work on Glasgow and Carlisle Highway (Improvement cost), ...	764	7	0
(4) Tar-macadam work on Stirling and Carlisle Highway (Improvement cost), ...	1,988	16	9
*(5) Tar-spraying on scheduled roads, ...	1,146	3	10
(6) Tar-spraying on non-scheduled roads,	457	6	8
	£5,606	14	3

* £99 3s. 4d. being the first item in this Claim is unnecessary if Claim No. 4 is allowed.

II. Lower Ward District Committee:—

(1) Tar-macadam work, ...	£2,279	17	4
(2) Tar-spraying work, ...	1,168	1	10
(3) Widening of Kirkintilloch Road, ...	455	0	0
	£3,902	19	2

The meeting agreed that Applications be made to the Imperial Road Board for Grants in respect of the several improvements in the Upper and Lower Ward Districts above specified, and instructed accordingly.

Road improvements in Upper Ward.—Deficiency in amount of grants received.

With regard to the Improvements carried out in the Upper Ward during the year 1913-14, the Clerk reported that the work of strengthening and surfacing with whinstone and tar-grouting various sections of roads had involved much greater cost than was originally estimated, with the result that the Grants received from the Board fell considerably short of the moiety of the cost which it was contemplated would be received when the work was undertaken, and that an application had been made to the Road Board for an increased Grant, but that the Board had declined to reconsider the Grant in these cases.

The meeting remitted to the Clerk to consider whether a further representation should not be made to the Road Board on the subjeet.

Road improvements in Lower Ward.—Increased grant received.

With regard to the Applications from the Lower Ward, the Clerk reported that the Grant originally proposed by the Imperial Road Board in respect of tar-spraying in the Lower Ward for the years 1912-13 and 1913-14 was only £500, whereas the total improvements cost was £1,712, which was equal to only 29 per cent. of the cost, and that on a representation being made to the Road Board with a view to obtaining an increased Grant, the Board had agreed to increase the Grant from £500 to £800, being equivalent to 1d. per square yard.

Petition by ratepayers in Coalburn with regard to widening of Bridge at Coalburn Inn, &c.

The Clerk submitted a Petition by ratepayers in Coalburn with regard to the widening of the bridge at Coalburn Inn, and bridges at Netherton and Birkhill, and he stated that he had transmitted a copy of the Petition to the Upper Ward District Committee for consideration and report.

Statement showing registrations of motor vehicles and driving licenses.

The Clerk submitted and read the following Statement showing the Registrations of Motor Vehicles and Driving Licences in force at 31st March. 1914, and fees received, viz.:—

Registrations of Motor Vehicles and Driving Licenses in force at 31st March, 1914.

Motor Cars.	Motor Cycles.	Heavy Motor Cars.	Total.	Driving Licences.
1,054.	1,074.	495.	2,623.	3,149.

Fees received from 15th May, 1913, to 31st March, 1914,	£968	6	0
For the same period the previous year, - - -	686	0	0

Increased cost of maintenance of main roads.—Communication from County Council of Ayrshire.

There was submitted a communication from the County Council of Ayrshire, of date 21st January, 1914, enclosing Memorandum with reference to the increased cost of maintenance of main roads in that County and proposals for obtaining relief to the County ratepayers, and asking whether this County Council would be prepared to support the proposals contained in the Memorandum. The Clerk having explained that the Memorandum contained recommendations regarding—

(1) Width of tyres, &c.;
(2) Speed of traffic;
(3) Regulation and control of traffic;
(4) Administration of National Road Board Funds;
(5) The consolidation of Grants in respect of roads:
(6) Taxation of motor vehicles and traction engines;

Remit to committee.

the meeting remitted the matter for consideration and report to the Committee appointed in regard to the question of the Regulation of Heavy Motor Traffic.

Studs on wheels of traction engines.—Replies from District Committees.

The Clerk reported that, as instructed, he had communicated with the several District Committees in regard to the use of studs on wheels of traction engines, and he submitted the replies received, which briefly were as follows:—

Upper Ward.

Approve of resolution of Chamber of Agriculture on the understanding that one of the conditions to be attached to the use of studs should be that the owners of engines making such use should be held responsible for any damage caused to the surface of the highways thereby.

Middle Ward.

The matter was again before the Committee in October last, when, following on prosecutions which had been instituted in respect of damage done to the highways by traction engines having spikes fixed to the wheels, the Road Surveyors were instructed to report fully with their advice on the subject.

Lower Ward.

Spikes on wheels of locomotives of any description are objectionable on macadamised roads. If the studs on traction engines for threshing mills were round-headed studs, not spikes, and used only during the time of frost, the Committee are prepared to favourably consider applications for such use.

The Clerk stated that he had sent a copy of the replies from the District Committees to the Secretary to the County Councils' Association.

Condition of roads in Bellshill District, consequent upon construction of tramway lines.

Mr. Goodfellow having directed attention to the condition of the roads in the Bellshill district, consequent upon the construction of the tramway lines through that district, the Clerk stated that that matter was receiving attention.

29th April, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday 29th April, 1914, being a meeting of the County Road Board of the County of Lanark.

Present—

John Adam.	Owen Coyle.
James Anderson.	William Davie.
J. Raeside Auld.	J. Hamilton Houldsworth.
Willian Barr.	James Kelly.
Colonel Buchanan.	Robert Lambie
James Cameron.	William Love.
John Campbell.	James Prentice.
Walter C. B. Christie.	James C. Hope Vere.

Chairman.

In the absence of Colonel King Stewart, chairman of the committee, Colonel Buchanan was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting of the County Road Board, of date 1st April, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Board, were submitted, approved of, and signed.

Proposed additions to list of highways.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the District Committee of the Lower Ward, of date 6th April, recommending that the following roads in Cadder Parish be assumed as Highways, viz.:—

(1) Alexandra Avenue, from Victoria Road to Whitehill Farm Road, a distance of 203 yards or thereby; and

(2) Victoria Road, from Whitehill Avenue to Alexandra Avenue, a distance of 118 yards or thereby.

Recommendation to County Council.

The meeting, having considered these recommendations, agreed that the County Council be recommended that the said roads be declared to be highways within the meaning and for the purposes of the Roads and Bridges (Scotland) Act, 1878, and, as such, should be added to the list of the roads, highways, and bridges made up under Section 41 thereof, provided that before date of the meeting of the County Council certificates had been obtained in each case from the Road Surveyor that the roads were in a satisfactory condition to be taken over.

Grants for road improvements.—Letter from Upper Ward District Committee.

Under reference to the Minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward, of date 23rd current, in regard to the transmission of applications to the Imperial Road Board for grants towards road improvements, and it was remitted to him to arrange with the Clerks of the several District Committees of the County with a view to the adoption of a uniform practice which would avoid any delay or difficulty.

Studs in Wheels of Traction Engines.—Letter from Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, from the District Committee of the Middle Ward, on the subject of studs in wheels of traction engines, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"District Offices,
"Hamilton, 8th April, 1914.

"DEAR SIR,

"HIGHWAYS.

"STUDS IN WHEELS OF TRACTION ENGINES.

"With reference to my letter of the 10th ultimo, I have now submitted to the appropriate committee the copy which you sent me of the communication received from the Scottish Chamber of Agriculture, together with copy Minute of Proceedings at the Conference between the Directors of the Chamber and Representatives of County Councils with regard to this matter. The Road Surveyors for the three Divisions of the District all advised that they had decided objections to offer to the use of studs or spikes being allowed in the wheels of traction engines, except when the road is covered with frozen snow; otherwise, they stated, their experience had been that great damage had been caused to the highways. They explained that it had been the practice for the owners of traction engines in this District to apply to them for permission to use studs when the roads were covered with frozen snow, and that they had never had occasion to refuse permission in suitable circumstances.

"In view of these statements, the committee were of opinion that, so far as the Middle Ward District was concerned, they could not justifiably advise a modification of the existing statutory provisions and requirements relative to the type and form of construction of wheels of traction engines.

"Yours faithfully,

"W. E. WHYTE."

County Councils' Association communicated with.

The Clerk stated that he had communicated the contents of the above communication to the Secretary of the County Councils' Association.

Speed of motor cars.—Question of speed limit.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting letters from Lord Lamington of Lamington, and from the Clerk to the Parish Council of Lamington, recommending that the speed of motor-cars should be restricted to ten miles per hour while passing through the Village of Lamington.

No action to be taken.

The meeting, after consideration, did not see their way to depart from their previous finding in regard to the matter.

There was read to the meeting a letter from Mr. John Brownlie, Millfield, Garrion, complaining as to the excessive speed at which motor-cars and cycles were driven, particularly at the crossing of the highways near Garrion Bridge. *Complaint by Mr. John Brownlie, Garrion.*

The Clerk stated that he had sent this communication to the Chief Constable of the County, from whom he had received a reply stating that he had no doubt that Mr. Brownlie's complaint was fully justified, and that he thought that danger posts should be erected at many places on the roads in the County, and especially at the point particularly referred to in Mr. Brownlie's communication. *Views of Chief Constable.*

The Clerk further stated that, following upon receipt of the Chief Constable's letter, he had transmitted a copy of it to the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee. *Middle Ward District Committee communicated with.*

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON ROAD GRANTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Tuesday, 27th January, 1914, being a Meeting of Representatives of the County Road Board and of the several District Committees of the County on the question of Road Grants. 27th January, 1914.

Present—

JAMES ANDERSON. | JAMES H. FENTON.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.

Attending—

A. W. PATERSON, Clerk to the District Committee of the Upper Ward.
JOHN W. BAXTER, District Road Surveyor.
G. CRUICKSHANK, as representing the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward.
JAMES WATSON, ROBERT SPITTAL, W. A. CHAPMAN, } District Road Surveyors.
JAMES A. M'CALLUM, Clerk to the District Committee of the Lower Ward.
JAMES RENNIE, Road Surveyor.

Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk, having explained the object of the meeting, he submitted statements which he had received from the Upper and Lower Ward District Committees, indicating the various road improvements which it was intended to carry out during the ensuing year (1914-15), the particulars of these being as follows, viz.:— *Statements as to road improvements in contemplation in several districts in County.*

DISTRICT OF THE UPPER WARD.

	TOTAL COST.
Tar-macadam, ... (Improvement cost, £1,317 11s. 3d.)	£3,111 10 8
*Tar-spraying on scheduled roads (*i.e.*, roads approved by the Road Board), ...	1,146 3 10
Tar-spraying on non-scheduled roads (*i.e.*, in villages with busy streets), ...	457 6 8
New plant for tar-macadam work, ...	750 0 0
	£5,465 1 2

* In this sum (£1,146 3s. 10d.) there is included the sum of £99 3s. 4d. for tar-spraying in Carluke, which sum has also been included in the amount (£1,317 11s 3d.) estimated for tar-macadam work. If the Road Board are prepared to consider the whole amount for tar-macadam work, and to make a grant accordingly, then the sum of £1,146 3s. 10d. will fall to be reduced by £99 3s. 4d.

District of the Lower Ward.

	Total Cost.
Tar-macadam work, ...	£2,279 17 4
Tar-spraying, ...	1,168 1 10
Improvement of Kirkintilloch Road at Bishopbriggs, ...	455 0 0
	£3,902 19 2

It was stated, on behalf of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, that improvement works were in contemplation, which it was estimated would involve an expenditure entitling a grant from the Road Board of £8,000.

Meeting with Sir George Gibb.

The meeting, after general discussion, agreed on certain points which should be laid before the Imperial Road Board, and later in the day the representatives of the County and District Committees met with Sir George Gibb and other members of the Board in St. Enoch's Station Hotel.

Statement by Sir Thomas Munro on behalf of County Road Authorities.

Sir Thomas Munro, on behalf of the County Road Authorities, indicated generally the estimated cost of the improvement works proposed to be carried out during the ensuing year, and elicited the views of the Board in regard to certain points which had been discussed at the former meeting.

Board's proposals.

Sir George Gibb, in reply to the County Clerk, indicated—

(1) That the Board were prepared to consider the question of making grants in respect of road improvements other than road-surface improvements;

(2) That, while the Board were prepared to admit that the cost of tar-spraying may have increased, they thought that the present rate of grant, viz., 1d. per square yard, which was equal to at least 50 per cent. of the cost, was reasonable;

(3) That the improvements in respect of which the Board were prepared to give grants would not be restricted to the particular roads which were originally scheduled as being main through roads;

(4) That, without committing themselves, the Board would be prepared to consider any application for a grant towards meeting the cost of the erection of tar-macadam plant; and

(5) That the Board would, notwithstanding their previous decision, be prepared to reconsider whether the improvement at Threepwood, near Crossford, should not rank for a Grant.

Sir Thomas Munro having also referred to a suggestion, which had been made in view of the operations in connection with the Middle Ward Camps Water-supply Scheme, that a new road might be made leading from this County to Peeblesshire, Sir George Gibb indicated that, from the information before them, the Board were doubtful as to whether the road would be of any public advantage, but that this could be considered at a later stage, if, and when, the proposals were definitely formulated by the Road Authorities.

Sum to be set aside by Board for whole County.

After further discussion, Sir George Gibb indicated that the Board would carefully consider the proposals of the County Road Authorities when these were submitted in detail, but that, in the meantime, he was prepared to say that the Board would be willing to set aside a sum of from £12,000 to £13,000 for the whole County, leaving it to the Road Authorities to arrange as to its apportionment, and that, failing a mutual agreement amongst them, he would be willing to determine the question on a consideration of the proposals submitted for the three different road districts.

Question of apportionment amongst several districts.

Deputation withdraw.

Mr. Speirs, having thanked Sir George Gibb and the other members of the Board for receiving the representation of the County of Lanark, the deputation withdrew.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEES ON APPEALS AGAINST ASSESSMENTS.

At GLASGOW, within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 21st January, 1914, being a Joint-Meeting of the Assessment Appeal Committees of the County Council. 21st January, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	William Love.
James Anderson.	Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart.
J. Raeside Auld.	John M. Loudon.
John A. Beattie.	A. D. Mack.
A. H. J. Briggs.	William Macfarlane.
Colonel Buchanan.	Alexander Pillans.
James Cameron.	James C. Pollok.
John Campbell.	Robert Sharp.
W. W. Chapman.	Colonel King Stewart.
William Davie.	Joseph Sullivan.
James H. Fenton.	William Sym.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	David Thomson.
Nathaniel D. I. O. Gold.	Thomas Watt.
John Jackson.	

Colonel King Stewart in the chair. *Chairman.*

Claims under House Letting Act, by owners of colliery houses, &c.

The Clerk explained that the meeting had been called to consider claims, under the House Letting Act, by owners of colliery houses, &c., for the owner's allowance of 2½ per cent. under the Act. After a statement by the Clerk, followed by discussion and consideration, the meeting were unanimously of opinion that the houses in question did not fall within the scope of the Act, and accordingly refused the claims. The Clerk having indicated that, in the event of the decision of the committee being against them, the agents of the parties interested had intimated a desire to have the case tested in the Court of Session, by way of a special case, the committee agreed that it would be desirable to have the question definitely settled, and accordingly agreed to the request for a special case, and remitted to the Clerk to attend to the interests of the County Council in the matter.

COMMITTEES ON APPEALS AGAINST ASSESSMENTS.

21st January, 1914. At GLASGOW, within the County Buildings there, on Wednesday, 21st January, 1914, being a Joint-Meeting of the Assessment Appeal Committees for the Hamilton and Airdrie Districts.

(Hamilton and Airdrie Districts).

Present—

John A. Beattie.
Colonel Buchanan.
John Campbell.
James Cameron.
John Jackson.
John M. Loudon.
A. D. Mack.
Colonel King Stewart.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.
William Templeton.

Chairman. Colonel King Stewart in the chair.

Appeals affecting Water Area generally. The Clerk explained that the Joint-Meeting had been called, as in one or two cases questions of principle were raised under appeals which affected the water area generally. The appeals were thereafter heard and disposed of, as per list signed by the chairman as relative hereto.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AGAINST ASSESSMENTS.

16th February, 1914. At LANARK, and within the County Hall, there, upon Monday, 16th February, 1914, being a meeting of the Committee for hearing and disposing of appeals and applications for relief on the ground of poverty from payment of the Consolidated Rates levied within the Upper Ward District of the County, for the year from 15th May, 1913, to 15th May, 1914.

Upper Ward.

Present—

Nathaniel D.I.O. Gold.
Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., M.V.O.
Rev. Christopher M'Kune.
Andrew Murdoch.
Alexander Pillans.

Chairman. Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bart., presiding.

Notice. The Clerk submitted the notice calling the meeting, and the remit from the County Council.

Appeals. The meeting proceeded to consider the appeals, and, having considered the statements of the appellants and information submitted by the Parish Councils, disposed of the several cases as set forth in the list thereof, signed as relative hereto.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AGAINST ASSESSMEMTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 25th February, 1914, being a meeting of the Committee for hearing and disposing of appeals and applications for relief on the ground of poverty from payment of the Consolidated Rates levied within the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of the County, for the year from 15th May, 1913, to 15th May, 1914. 25th February, 1914.

Present— **Middle Ward.** (*Airdrie District.*)

JOHN CAMPBELL.	ROBERT SHARP.
A. D. MACK.	DAVID THOMSON.

Mr. Robert Sharp presiding. *Chairman.*

The Clerk submitted the notice calling the meeting, and the remit from the County Council. *Notice.*

The meeting proceeded to consider the appeals, and, having considered the statements of the appellants and information submitted by the Parish Councils, disposed of the several cases as set forth in the list thereof, signed as relative hereto. *Appeals.*

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AGAINST ASSESSMENTS.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Clerk's Office, there, on Tuesday, 3rd March, 1914, being a meeting of the Committee for hearing and disposing of appeals and applications for relief on the ground of poverty from payment of the Consolidated Rates levied within the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of the County, for the year from 15th May, 1913, to 15th May, 1914. 3rd March, 1914.

Present— **Middle Ward.** (*Hamilton District.*)

JOHN A. BEATTIE.	WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES CAMERON.	JAMES C. POLLOK.
JOHN CAMPBELL.	WILLIAM SYM.
JOHN M. LOUDON.	WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Mr. Love presiding. *Chairman.*

The Clerk submitted the notice calling the meeting, and the remit from the County Council. *Notice.*

The meeting proceeded to consider the appeals, and, having considered the statements of the appellants and information submitted by the Parish Councils, disposed of the several cases as set forth in the list thereof, signed as relative hereto. *Appeals.*

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

EXPLOSIVES COMMITTEE FOR GLASGOW J.P. DISTRICT.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 21st January, 1914, being a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanark, for the Glasgow Justice of Peace District. — 21st January, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Walter C. B. Christie.
James Anderson.	John Hurll.
A. H. J. Briggs.	William Macfarlane.

Mr. Christie was appointed chairman of the committee. — *Chairman.*

The quorum of the committee was fixed at three. — *Quorum.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The Clerk informed the meeting that, there being no Explosives Committee for the Lower Ward then in existence, he had laid before the Committee of Selection, at their meeting on 23rd December last, an information against Messrs. Hunter & Warren, Limited, 19 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, for an alleged contravention of the Explosives Act of 1875, when that committee agreed that the information be transmitted to the Procurator Fiscal. — *Explosives Act.—Case of Messrs. Hunter & Warren, Ltd., Glasgow.*

He further stated that since then he had received a letter from H.M. Chief Inspector of Explosives with reference to the case, which he read to the meeting together with a communication from the Procurator-Fiscal. — *Communications on the subject.*

The meeting, having further carefully considered the whole circumstances, agreed that it would be inadvisable that the case should be further proceeded with, and instructed accordingly. — *Prosecution to be abandoned.*

The Clerk stated that during the past year there were twenty-two stores for the keeping of explosives in the Lower Ward District; while the number of registered premises was also twenty-two, the total fees received in connection with the stores and registered premises amounting to £2 4s. — *Statement of number of store licences, &c., in Lower Ward District.*

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OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 28th January, 1914, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. — 28th January, 1914.

Present—

John A. Beattie.	William Macfarlane.
William Bell.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	Joseph Sullivan.
James Cameron.	William Sym.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	David Thomson.
Colonel Logan.	James Tonner.

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.

On the motion of Mr. Mack, Colonel Buchanan was unanimously appointed chairman of the committee. — *Appointment of chairman.*

The quorum of the committee was fixed at five. — *Quorum.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 12th November, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

There were submitted reports (Appendices I. and II.) by the Inspectors under the Shops Act, 1912, and the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, for the months of October and November last, prints of which have been sent to each member of the committee. — *Inspectors' monthly reports.*

There were laid before the committee applications by the following occupiers of registered places for public refreshment for withdrawal of registration, viz.:— — *By-laws regulating registered places for public refreshment.—Applications for withdrawal of registration.*

(1) John Smith, in respect of premises at 47 Stevenston Street, Holytown;

(2) Mrs. Catherine M'Donald, in respect of premises at 9 Murray Place, Bothwell; and

(3) Rachael Mackay, in respect of premises at 29 Glebe Street, East Kilbride.

The Clerk having explained that after due inquiry he was satisfied as to the *bonâ-fide* nature of the requests, the meeting instructed him to cancel the entries in his Register relating to the premises in question. — *Applications granted.*

Further withdrawals approved of.

The Clerk also reported that, following upon satisfactory reports from the police, he had withdrawn the registration of the following premises, viz.:—

(1) Cecilia Restaurant, 40 Main Street, Stane, occupied by William White; and

(2) Christie Place, Mollinsburn, by Condorrat, near Glasgow, occupied by James Irvine.

The meeting approved.

Application for special permit granted.

The meeting authorised any two members of the committee to grant a special permit, in terms of Section 2 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, to Patrick Jones, Annfield Place, Carfin, authorising him to keep open his registered premises, known as Parochial Hall, Carfin, on the occasion of a special entertainment to be held therein on 20th proximo.

Proposed alterations to registered premises at Overton.

The Clerk laid before the meeting sketch plan showing certain alterations proposed to be carried out on registered premises situated at Main Street, Overton, occupied by Mr. Giambattista Valerio. An examination of the plan submitted showed that it was intended that the premises should be divided up into two shops, so as to permit of one of these being registered and the other unregistered, each shop having common connection with the kitchen.

Meeting's decision.

The meeting agreed that so long as any connection existed between the different compartments or shops the whole premises must be regarded as one for the purposes of the by-laws.

Contraventions.

The Clerk submitted to the committee information by the police against the following persons for alleged contraventions of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, and the By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment, viz.:—

(1) Antonio Darpino, in respect of registered premises situated at 17 Main Street, Cambuslang; and

(2) Grace Reid or Cardoo, in respect of unregistered premises situated at 2 Burnside Buildings, Eastfield, Parish of Rutherglen.

Informations to be sent to Procurator-Fiscal.

The meeting, after discussion, instructed the Clerk to transmit the informations to the Procurators-Fiscal with a view to proceedings being taken.

Result of prosecutions.

The Clerk reported that since the date of last meeting proceedings had been taken in four cases in respect of contraventions of the Act and of the by-laws, and that convictions had been obtained in three of these. Two of the accused were admonished, while the other was fined 7s. 6d., and in the remaining case the Court found the charge not proven.

Proposed Conference with Burghs on subject of by-laws.—Statement by Clerk, and suggested date for meeting.

The Clerk reminded the meeting of the proposed Conference with the Burghs on the subject of the By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment, with a view, if possible, to the adoption of uniform by-laws throughout the County in regard to the question of the hours of closing, and other points. He further stated that he had been in communication with the Town Clerks of the several Burghs, and that it was suggested that the Conference should take place in the County Buildings, Glasgow, on Wednesday, 11th proximo, at three o'clock p.m.

Appointment of representatives to attend Conference.

The meeting, after discussion, and a general expression of opinion having been given as to the extent to which the by-laws might be modified, appointed the following members of the committee to attend the Conference on behalf of the County Council, viz.:—

John A. Beattie.
Colonel Buchanan.
William Davie.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.

Livingstone Centenary.—Statement of subscriptions.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement with reference to the subscriptions received in connection with the Livingstone Centenary Fund, viz.:—

Amount of subscriptions intimated, ...	£344	0	4
One subscription unpaid, ...	2	0	0
Total amount received, ...	£342	0	4
Deduct cost of postages, ...	16	0	0
Leaving in bank, ...	£326	0	4

Accounts still to be Paid.

"Hamilton Advertiser,"	£1	11	0
"Lanarkshire,"...	1	10	0
"Glasgow Herald,"	2	4	6
Robert Anderson, Printers, ...	15	11	6
	£20	17	0

Remit of last meeting continued.

The meeting agreed that the remit made to the Chairman and Clerk as contained in the minutes of the last meeting of the committee be continued.

By-laws as to procession of bands, &c.—Applications for special permits acceded to.

The meeting, after consideration, authorised the Clerk, after consultation with the Chief Constable, to grant special permits, under the By-laws Regulating the Assembling or Procession of Bands, &c., for a period of six months, to the following bands, viz.:—

(1) Bellshill Town Prize Brass Band, per Peter Wyper, secretary, Elizavale Place, Bellshill;

(2) Stonehouse Prize Pipe Band, per A. S. Muirhead, secretary, 70 New Street, Stonehouse; and

(3) Coalburn Rechabites Pipe Band, per Thomas Forsyth, Auchenbegg, Coalburn.

Registrar's office at Glenboig.—Letter from Glenboig Union Fire Clay Co., Ltd.

The Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter from the General Manager of the Glenboig Union Fire Clay Company, Ltd., of date 3rd current, pointing out the great inconvenience caused to the inhabitants of Glenboig through the want of reasonable facilities for the registration of births, deaths, &c., and that at present people desiring to register a birth or a death require to go to Airdrie.

Matter continued.

The meeting, after discussion, instructed the Clerk to say that as the matter was one which was really outwith the jurisdiction of the County Council, the committee did not see their way to take any action in this particular case, but that they continued the matter, meantime, with a view to taking action should it be necessary on the general question of the provision of reasonable means being provided throughout the whole County for the purposes of registration.

Inland Revenue Office, Glasgow.—Letter from Town Clerk re conference of Local Authorities.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a letter from the Town Clerk of Glasgow, of date 22nd January, referring to previous communications in regard to the establishment of a fully equipped branch of the Inland Revenue Department in Glasgow, and stating that a meeting of representatives of the several public bodies interested would be held in the City Chambers, Glasgow, on Friday, 6th February, at three o'clock p.m., to consider as to the steps to be taken to support and further the objects of the Memorial, which had been presented to the Chancellor of the Exchequer by the Corporation of Glasgow and other Local Authorities, including this County Council.

Appointment of representatives to attend.

The meeting appointed the following members of the committee, along with the Clerk, to attend the proposed meeting as representing the County Council, viz.:—

Colonel Buchanan. William Macfarlane.
David Thomson.

Fencing of quarries. — Report by Engineer.

There was submitted to the meeting a further report by Mr. Alexander Scott as to the fencing of the Earnock, Stewartfield, and Hartfield Quarries, in which he stated that the fences which had been erected in connection with the two quarries first mentioned were now in a satisfactory condition; but that while the fence in connection with the Hartfield Quarry had been renewed, it was not yet quite satisfactory.

Clerk to communicate with proprietors.

In these circumstances the meeting remitted to the Clerk to communicate again with the proprietors of Hartfield Quarry, and to take such steps as he might think fit with a view to securing adequate protection for the public against possible danger.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Application for transfer of licence in respect of Dixon's Hall, Blantyre.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 17th January, from Mr. John Cassells, Hamilton, applying for transfer to Mr. William Codina, 4 Largo Place, Leith, of the licence for Dixon's Hall, Stonefield Road, Blantyre, presently held by Mr. Peter Wyper.

Transfer of licence authorised.

The Clerk having explained that Mr. Cassells acted for both parties, between whom a satisfactory arrangement had been come to in regard to the matter, the meeting authorised him to grant the transfer applied for.

Applications for renewal of licences.

The following applications for renewal of licences were submitted, viz.:—

Applicant.	Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
Alfred G. Nisbet, Newton, -	Westburn Picture House, Newton.	3.2.1914.
David Cook, Glasgow, for Richard Williamson, -	Victoria Theatre, Uddingston.	15.1.1914.

Renewals granted.

Satisfactory reports having been read from the police, the meeting agreed to renew the licences above referred to for one year.

Proposed picture house at Stane, Shotts. —Report by Engineer.

The Clerk laid before the meeting plans relative to a new picture house proposed to be erected at Stane, Shotts, for The Shotts Theatres, Limited, and read a report by the Engineer in regard thereto.

Clerk to communicate with Architects.

The meeting, while expressing general approval of the plans submitted, instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Architects pointing out that the entrance to the balcony, which is to provide accommodation for 270 persons, was by means of a 3-feet 6-inch doorway and a 4-feet stairway, these being the only means of exit from the balcony, and suggesting that in lieu thereof there should be provided two stairways and two doorways.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Act and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1913.

SHOPS ACT.

During the month, inspections were made in 26 localities, 125 shops, &c., were visited, and 56 contraventions detected (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Advertising Agent,	1	Ironmongers,	5
Bakers,	5	Licensed Hawkers,	6
Boot and Shoemakers,	2	Painters,	2
Confectioner,	1	Railway Bookstall,	1
Dairykeepers,	6	Refreshment and Ice-Cream Dealers,	5
Drapers,	2	Stationers and Newsagents,	2
Fancy Goods and Toy Dealer,	1	Tailors and Clothiers,	2
Fishmongers,	2	Tobacconist,	1
Fruiterers,	3	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	8
Grocers,	24	Mixed Shops,	41
Hairdressers,	3		
Hardware Merchants,	2		

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz. :—

Assistants' weekly half-holiday,	14
Shops' weekly half-holiday,	3
Employment of young persons,	10
Mixed shops,	40

Sixteen localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, and the following contraventions were detected, viz. :—

Failure to close,	1
Supplying non-exempted goods,	2
Street trading,	3
Failure to give assistant weekly half-holiday,	2
Failure to provide seat for female assistant,	1
Employing young persons more than 74 hours per week,	2
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	24

Verbal cautions were given to the offenders in all the above contraventions.

The cases of "failure to close" refer to small drapery and clothiers' shops visited for the first time, where the shopkeepers pleaded ignorance of the requirements of the Act.

The cases of employing young persons for more than 74 hours per week refer to two girls under 18 years of age, employed in refreshment and ice-cream shops. One of them did not even get a weekly "afternoon off." The employers were notified regarding the contraventions, and further inspections will be made, with a view to seeing that the terms of the Act are carried out.

An inspection was made at Cambuslang, under the General Closing Order and the Barbers' and Hairdressers' Order. It was found that the closing of the shops affected was very punctually carried out.

Communications.

Six communications were received during the month, making complaints, &c., as follows:—

(1) From the Secretary of the Amalgamated Union of Co-operative Employees, drawing attention to excessive long hours of employment, without a break, on the weekly half-holiday, during quarterly stock-taking at a Co-operative Society shop. On inspection and inquiry at the manager and the employees concerned, it was found that there was no ground for complaint within the scope of the Act.

(2) From a grocer, complaining of street trading by a provision van after the closing hours for shops under the Closing Order for the Parish of Cambuslang. Inspection was made on a Saturday evening, and a purchase of butter and ham procured, by means of an agent, at 10.30 p.m. The lad in charge of the van pleaded ignorance of contravening the Closing Order. A verbal caution was given by the inspector, and no further complaint has been received.

(3) From the Secretary of a Merchants' Association, regarding street trading on the weekly half-holiday. On inspection and inquiry it was found that the complaint referred to the delivery, by van, on the weekly half-holiday, of goods previously ordered from a large firm in Hamilton. There was no ground for complaint, as delivery of goods previously ordered is expressly allowed by the Act.

(4) An anonymous communication, forwarded by H.M. Inspector of Factories, complaining of the conditions of employment of a shop girl under 18 years of age. Inspection and inquiry were made, when it was found that the girl did not get a weekly half-holiday, that her hours of employment exceeded 74 hours per week, that she had no regular meal hours, and that there was no seat provided for her in the shop—all as required by the Act. The owner of the shop (the girl's stepmother), was interviewed by the Inspector, and promised to remedy the conditions of the girl's employment.

(5) Two others, one asking for information regarding the requirements of the Act, and the other making complaints about a neighbouring shopkeeper, have received attention.

By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshments.

Twenty-six inspections were made to ice-cream and fried fish and potato shops, and other refreshment places in Bellshill, Bothwell, Ferniegair, Forth, Mossend, Strathaven, and Uddingston, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the structural arrangements of the premises complied with the requirements of the By-laws. Nine cases of non-compliance were detected, viz., eight cases of direct connection between the registered premises and a part partitioned off as a shop for "sales off the premises," and one case where there exists a small separate sitting-room, with partitions to the ceiling, the only means of lighting being artificial light.

The contraventions have been reported to the County Clerk.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, &C., AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops, &c.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street trading.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Acts.
Abington,	1	6	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	3
Bellshill,	2	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	3
Birkenshaw,	2	5	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	3
Bishopbriggs,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Blantyre,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bothwell,	1	6	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Cambuslang,	2	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Calderbank,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carluke,	1	3	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Chryston,	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coalburn,	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Crawford,	1	6	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	5
Ferniegair,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Forth,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Garnkirk,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gilbertfield,	1	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Holytown,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Larkhall,	3	14	...	..	1	...	...	...	...	3
Lenzie,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Muirhead,	1	5	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	2
Netherburn,	1	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Omoa,	1	18	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4
Stonehouse,	2	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Tollcross,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Uddingston,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Wilsontown,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	32	125	2	2	4	3	...	1	3	41

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 10*th November*, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Acts and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1913.

SHOPS ACTS.

During the month, inspections were made in 22 localities, 100 shops, &c., were visited, and 45 contraventions detected (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Bakers,	4	Licensed Hawkers,	3
Boot and Shoemakers,	2	Pedlars,	2
Butchers,	2	Photographer,	1
Cabinet Maker,	1	Railway Bookstall,	1
Confectioners,	2	Stationers and Newsagents,	3
Dairykeepers,	8	Refreshment and Ice Cream Dealer,	1
Draper,	1	Tobacconist,	1
Fishmongers,	2	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	13
Grocers,	10	Mixed Shops,	40
Hairdressers,	3		

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz. :—

"Assistants' weekly half-holiday,"	4
"Shops' weekly half-holiday,"	2
"Employment of young persons,"	5
"Mixed shops,"	26

Fourteen localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, and the following contraventions were detected, viz. :—

Failure to close,	3
Supplying non-exempted goods,	1
Street trading,	4
Failure to give assistant weekly half-holiday,	1
Failure to provide seat for female assistant,	1
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	31

Verbal cautions were given to the offenders in all the above contraventions.

BY-LAWS REGULATING PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

An inspection was made of registered premises at Coalburn. Two communications were received, one making complaint regarding refreshments being sold for consumption on registered premises after 10 p.m., and the other asking whether it was compulsory for unregistered premises to be closed at 12 p.m. These were transmitted to the police for their attention.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, &c., AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops, &c.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to Close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street Trading.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Acts.
Bellshill,	1	2	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	1
Blantyre,	1	6	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	4
Caldercruix,	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Cambuslang	2	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Carfin,	1	15	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	7
Carnbroe,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clydesdale,	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Coalburn,	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Eastfield,	2	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Gartness,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Gilbertfield,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hallside,	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Holytown,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Larkhall,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lesmahagow,	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Netherburn,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Newarthill,	1	10	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	1
Newmains,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Newton,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Stevenston,	1	10	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	4
Stepps,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Westburn,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	25	100	3	1	4	1	...	1	...	35

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Hamilton, 10th December, 1913.

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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

4th March, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

John A. Beattie.	William Macfarlane.
William Bell.	A. D. Mack.
Colonel Buchanan.	Joseph Sullivan.
James Cameron.	William Sym.
William Davie.	David Thomson.

James Tonner.

Attending—

Alexander Scott, C.E.

Chairman. Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was intimated from the Rev. George Goodfellow.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 28th January, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Conference re By-Laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.—Statement by Chairman. Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the chairman reported that a conference on the subject of the By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment had taken place between the representatives appointed by the County Council and the several Burghs in the County on Wednesday, 11th February, when, after a free interchange of views, a committee was appointed to go further into the question as to the advisability of framing a uniform set of By-laws applicable within the County and the Burghs, and, if necessary, to hear a deputation from the traders in regard to the matter.

Minutes of Conference approved. The Clerk laid before the meeting the Minutes of the Conference (Appendix I.) above referred to, together with a print of Notes (Appendix II.) prepared by him on the subject of places of refreshment, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee. The minutes of the conference were approved by the committee.

Application for Special Permit granted. The meeting authorised any two members of the committee to grant a special permit, in terms of Section 2 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, to Patrick Jones, Annfield Place, Carfin, authorising him to keep open his registered premises, known as Parochial Hall, Carfin, on the occasion of a special entertainment to be held therein on the evening of Tuesday, 17th current.

Withdrawal of registration authorised. An application for withdrawal of registration by Daniel H. Taylor in respect of premises occupied by him at Commongreen, Strathaven, having been submitted, the meeting authorised the Clerk to give effect to the withdrawal on being satisfied that the application was *bona fide*.

Results of prosecutions.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting proceedings had been instituted in four cases in respect of contraventions of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, and of the By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment, and that convictions had been obtained in three of these, fines ranging from 7s. 6d. to £2 being imposed. In the remaining case the Court found the charge not proven.

Shops Acts, 1912, &c.—Inspectors' Reports for December, 1913, and January, 1914.

There were laid before the meeting reports (Appendices III. and IV.) by the Inspectors under the Shops Act, 1912, &c., for the months of December, 1913, and January, 1914, prints of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

By-laws as to Assembling of Bands, &c.—Application for Special Permit granted.

The Clerk having submitted an application by Mr. James Donaldson, 19 Millar Street, Motherwell, for a special permit under the By-laws Regulating the Assembling or Procession of Bands, &c., to enable the Motherwell Pipe Band to carry out their usual demonstrations in the County during the period from 1st April to 1st October, the meeting authorised him, after consultation with the Chief Constable, to grant the permit asked for, subject to the usual terms and conditions.

Fabrics (Misdescription) Act, 1913.—Notes by Clerk.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting Notes (Appendix V.) which he had prepared explanatory of the Fabrics (Misdescription) Act, 1913, and the Regulations made thereunder by the Secretary for Scotland, and he stated that he had sent a copy of the Notes to each member of the Committee.

Appointment of Inspecctors under the Act.

The meeting, after consideration, approved of the suggestion of the Clerk contained in the Notes, that the work of carrying out the Act should be entrusted to the Inspectors under the Shops Act, and resolved, subject to the approval of the County Council, to appoint, and hereby appoint, in terms of the Act, the following officers, viz.:—

Robert Macnaughton, County Officcs, Hamilton,
Charles M'Ara, County Offices, Hamilton,
Frank M'Arthur, County Offices, Hamilton,
Duncan James Black, County Offices, Hamilton,

with power to institute and carry on any proceedings which the Local Authority are themselves authorised to institute and carry on under the Act.

Inland Revenue Office, Glasgow.—Proposed deputation to Chancellor of Exchequer.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a further communication from the Town Clerk, Glasgow, on the subject of the Inland Revenue Office, Glasgow, together with a print of the minutes of a conference which had been held on 6th February last, and stated that it had been agreed to seek an interview with the Chancellor of the Exchequer in regard to the matter, and that the County Council were asked to appoint one or more representatives.

Appointment of representatives to attend

The meeting appointed Colonel Buchanan, along with the Clerk, to represent the County Council on the proposed deputation to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Letter from Postmaster, Glasgow, re closing of certain Post Offices on day of weekly half-holiday.

There were submitted to the meeting letters from the Postmaster, Glasgow, relative to proposals to close the Post Offices at Baillieston, Bothwell, and Gartcosh to the public at one o'clock p.m. on the day of the weekly half-holiday, and asking whether the County Council had any objections to offer to the proposals.

Meeting's decision.

The meeting agreed to the proposals above indicated, provided that due notice was given to the public of the proposed change, and provided also that, in the event of any inconvenience being caused to the general public consequent upon the change the arrangements which presently existed should be reverted to.

Proposed new pillar box at Cardowan.—Letter from Postmaster.

The Clerk also laid before the meeting a further letter from the Postmaster, Glasgow, relative to a proposal to affix a pillar-box to the sign-post at the corner of the Baillieston and Gartcosh Roads, Cardowan (opposite Cardowan Store), and asking the consent of the County Council to carry out the work.

Meeting agree, subject to approval of District Committee of Lower Ward being obtained.

The meeting, while raising no objection, were of opinion that the approval of the District Committee of the Lower Ward, who were entrusted with the maintenance and management of the roads in question, should be obtained to the proposal above indicated, and instructed the Clerk to reply accordingly.

Livingstone Centenary Memorial.—Proposed erection of tablet.

Under reference to the Livingstone Centenary Memorial Fund, the Clerk submitted to the meeting letters which he had received regarding the proposed erection of a tablet in Blantyre Cottage Hospital, and it was remitted to him, along with the Chairman, to see that the tablet was suitably inscribed.

Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Proposed Picture House at Stane, Shotts.—Further correspondence with Architects.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted further letters which he had received from the Architects in connection with the picture house proposed to be erected at Stane, Shotts, for the Shotts Theatres, Limited, asking that the committee might see their way to reconsider their former decision, viz., that two stairways and two doorways should be provided as exits from the balcony of the proposed theatre instead of one stairway and one doorway as shown on the original plans. There was also laid before the meeting an amended plan showing an alternative proposal suggested by the Architects.

Meeting adhere to former decision.

The meeting, after full consideration of the matter, and having heard a statement by Mr. Malcolm Ross, architect, did not see their way to depart from their previous decision.

Applications for renewals of Licences.

The following applications for renewals of licences were submitted, viz.:—

Applicant.	Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
Mrs. Susan Johnson and Sons,	Moveable erection at Show Ground, Stonehouse, - - - -	21/2/1914.
Robert Bruce, - - -	Public Hall, Stonehoue, - -	14/2/1914.
James George, - - -	Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang, -	31/3/1914.

Renewals authorised in two cases.

Satisfactory reports having been read from the police, the meeting agreed to renew the two licences first above referred to for one year.

Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang.—Statement by Clerk.

In the case of the Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang, the Clerk explained that an application for renewal was submitted to a meeting of the Selection Committee, held on 23rd December last, when it was agreed to renew the licence for a period of three months (ending 31st March).

Remit to Sub-Committee to inspect and report

The committee being of opinion that a further inspection of the hall was desirable before the licence was renewed for a further period, the following sub-committee were appointed, viz., Colonel Buchanan, and Messrs. David Thomson, William Sym, and James Tonner, to make an inspection, and report to a future meeting of the committee.

Framing of conditions in respect of licensed premises remitted to Sub-Committee.

It was also remitted to the sub-committee above named to consider and report as to the framing of conditions which should apply—

(*a*) Generally to all premises licensed under the Act; and

(*b*) To new premises intended to be used specially for cinematograph entertainments.

APPENDIX I.

MINUTE OF CONFERENCE

ON SUBJECT OF

BY-LAWS REGULATING REGISTERED PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 11th February, 1914, being a Conference of Representatives of the County Council of the County of Lanark and of the several Burghs in the County on the subject of By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment. 11th February, 1914.

Present—

As representing—

(*1*) *County Council of Lanark*—
Colonel Buchanan, Vice-Convener of the County.
John A. Beattie.
William Davie.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Joseph Sullivan.
Alex. Murray, for County Clerk.

(*2*) *Burgh of Airdrie*—
Provost Orr.
Bailie Chapman.
Bailie M'Gregor.
John J. M'Murdo, Depute Town Clerk.

(*3*) *Burgh of Biggar*—
Provost Hope.
Senior Bailie William Paterson.

(*4*) *Burgh of Coatbridge*—
Provost Davie.
Bailie Patrick J. Agnew.
Bailie Thomas W. Kellock.
Bailie Samuel Lindsay.
John Alston, Town Clerk.

(*5*) *Burgh of Hamilton*—
Provost Moffat.
Dean of Guild Anderson.
P. M. Kirkpatrick, Town Clerk.

(*6*) *Burgh of Lanark*—
Provost Paton.
Bailie Graham.
D. Thomson Kennedy, for Town Clerk.

(*7*) *Burgh of Motherwell*—
Provost Wilson.
Bailie Frood.
James Burns, Town Clerk.

(*8*) *Burgh of Rutherglen*—
Treasurer J. N. Brown.
Councillor David Hardie.

(*9*) *Burgh of Wishaw*—
Councillor Anderson.
Bailie Frew.
Councillor Ingram.
A. G. Stewart, Town Clerk.

Appointment of Chairman.

On the motion of Provost Wilson (Motherwell), Colonel Buchanan was unanimously appointed Chairman of the Conference.

Apologies for absence.

The Chairman intimated an apology from Sir Thomas Munro, who regretted his unavoidable absence.

Apologies for absence were also intimated from ex-Provost Keith and Bailie Slorach (Hamilton).

County and Burgh Representatives.

There was submitted a list of representatives appointed by the County Council and the several Burgh Local Authorities, a copy of which forms Appendix I. to this minute.

Press Representatives excluded from Conference.

The Chairman having called the attention of the Conference to the fact that a representative of the press was present, it was agreed, by a majority, that the proceedings of the Conference should in the meantime be conducted in private. The press representative thereupon withdrew.

Synopsis of County and Burgh By-laws.

There was submitted to the Conference a statement (Appendix II.), containing a synopsis of the by-laws in operation in the County, and also in the Burghs therein, copies of which had been sent to the Clerks of the various Authorities for the use of their representatives.

Question of framing a uniform set of By-laws.—Statement by Chairman.

The Chairman having stated the result of the experience of the County Local Authority in connection with the administration of their by-laws, and the views of the County General Purposes Committee with regard tn certain suggested modifications, indicated that, while the main purpose of the Conference would be to consider the practicability of framing a set of by-laws which might be made applicable within the County and also within the several Burghs therein, it was open to the Conference to discuss every aspect of the question.

Correspondence between Sir Thomas Munro and Mr. James Ballantine, agent for Temperance Refreshment Traders' Defence Association, on subject of By-laws.

During the discussion which followed, there was submitted the following correspondence which had passed between Sir Thomas Munro and Mr. James Ballantine, solicitor, Glasgow, who acted for the Temperance Refreshment Traders' Defence Association, viz.:—

"131 West Regent Street,
"Glasgow, 10th February, 1914.

"Dear Sir,

"TEMPERANCE REFRESHMENT TRADERS' DEFENCE ASSOCIATION.

"I act for this Association, which consists of traders in refreshments throughout Scotland, wholesale and retail, who are affected by the provisions of the Burgh Police Acts and by-laws made thereunder. The attention of the President, Mr. Wm. Milne, ice merchant, here, was to-day directed by some retail traders to the paragraph in one of the newspapers, stating that you were convening a meeting of County and Burgh Authorities to meet here to-morrow to consider these matters. Thinking that it might be useful to the conference, and in the interest of refreshment traders, if an opportunity were afforded the traders of putting their position personally

before the Conference, he instructed me to telegraph you as follows:—'Instructed to ask if you can hear deputation of refreshment traders at meeting of County and Burgh Authorities stated in newspapers as called for to-morrow.

"I thank you for your reply, received later, as follows:—'Hardly think Conference would receive deputation to-morrow. Am writing.'

"The President wishes to interpret your message as suggesting that if the deputation is in attendance before your Conference meets (as I understand) at 3 p.m., in the County Buildings, Ingram Street, the Conference may be asked whether the deputation will be heard.

"I await your letter.

"I am, &c.,

"JAMES BALLANTINE."

"County Offices,
"Hamilton, 10th February, 1914.

"DEAR SIR,

"BY-LAWS REGULATING REGISTERED PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

"I have received your telegram of to-day, and, as telegraphed to you in reply, I hardly think the Conference would be disposed to hear a deputation of the traders to-morrow. Until the several Local Authorities have had an opportunity of discussing the question by themselves, a meeting with the traders would, I think, be premature. I shall, however, inform the Conference that the traders are desirous of being heard by the Local Authorities, and are prepared to meet them.

"If there is a consensus of opinion in favour of adjusting a uniform set of by-laws which might be made applicable to the County area as well as to the Burghs, a remit will probably be made to a Committee to go more fully into the question and to report.

"I am, &c.,

"*For* THOS. MUNRO,
"*County Clerk.*

"ALEX. MURRAY.

"131 West Regent Street,
"Glasgow, 11th February, 1914.

"DEAR SIR,

"BY-LAWS REGULATING REGISTERED PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

"I am favoured with your letter of yesterday, which I have submitted to the President and other traders. They note that a deputation would, at this Conference, be premature, and they desire me to thank you, and to say that they will be glad to attend at such time as the Conference may appoint.

"I am, &c.,

"JAMES BALLANTINE."

Sir Thomas Munro's action approved of.

The Conference expressed approval of the attitude taken up by Sir Thomas Munro in the above correspondence.

Appointment of Committee to consider and report.

After further discussion, the following committee were appointed to consider and report on the whole question generally, including—

(1) The question of the practicability of framing a uniform set of by-laws which would meet the circumstances both of the County and of the Burghs; and

(2) The advisability of seeking further legislation to confer additional powers on Local Authorities:—

(*1*) *County Council of Lanark*—
Colonel Buchanan (*ex-officio*).
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Joseph Sullivan.

(*2*) *Burgh of Airdrie*—
Provost Orr.
Bailie M'Gregor.

(*3*) *Burgh of Biggar*—
Provost Hope.
Bailie William Paterson.

(*4*) *Burgh of Coatbridge*—
Provost Thomas Davie.
Bailie Samuel Lindsay.

(*5*) *Burgh of Hamilton*—
Ex-Provost Keith.
Dean of Guild Anderson.

(*6*) *Burgh of Lanark*—
Provost Paton.
Bailie Graham.

(*7*) *Burgh of Motherwell*—
Provost Wilson.
Bailie Frood.

(*8*) *Burgh of Rutherglen*—
Treasurer J. N. Brown.
Councillor David Hardie.

(*9*) *Burgh of Wishaw*—
Bailie Frew.
Councillor Anderson.

Chairman of Committee.

Colonel Buchanan to be chairman of the committee.

Committee authorised to meet with traders.

It was agreed that the committee be authorised, should they see fit, to meet with representatives of the traders.

Appointment of Clerk.—Date of Committee meeting.

The meeting agreed that Sir Thomas Munro be requested to act as Clerk, and to call a meeting of the committee for Wednesday, 4th March.

APPENDIX I.

CONFERENCE ON SUBJECT OF BY-LAWS REGULATING REGISTERED PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

REPRESENTATIVES OF COUNTY AND BURGHS.

(1) *County Council of Lanark—*
Colonel Buchanan, Vice-Convener of the County.
John A. Beattie.
William Davie.
Rev. George Goodfellow.
Joseph Sullivan.
William Sym.

(2) *Burgh of Airdrie—*
Provost Orr.
Police Judge Armour.
Bailie Chapman.
Bailie Goldie.
Bailie M'Gregor.
Bailie Reid.

(3) *Burgh of Biggar—*
Provost Hope.
Senior Bailie William Paterson.

(4) *Burgh of Coatbridge—*
Provost Thomas Davie.
Bailie Patrick J. Agnew.
Bailie Thomas W. Kellock.
Bailie Samuel Lindsay.
Hon. Treasurer George Neilson.
Bailie Adam Smith.

(5) *Burgh of Hamilton—*
Provost Moffat.
Ex-Provost Keith.
Dean of Guild Anderson.
Bailie Slorach.

(6) *Burgh of Lanark—*
Provost Paton.
Bailie Graham.

(7) *Burgh of Motherwell—*
Provost Wilson.
Bailie Frood.

(8) *Burgh of Rutherglen*
Treasurer J. N. Brown.
Councillor David Hardie.

(9) *Burgh of Wishaw—*
Bailie Frew.
Councillor Anderson.
Councillor Ingram.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Bye-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.

SYNOPSIS OF BY-LAWS IN OPERATION IN COUNTY OF LANARK AND IN BURGHS THEREIN.

	Hours of Opening and Closing.	Internal Arrangement of Premises.
County of Lanark, -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Coatbridge, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing, except during the months of May, June, July, and August, when the hours are fixed at from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. Registered premises to have no communication with private dwelling-house or apartment used as private dwelling-house or living room, save as authorised by the Town Council. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Rutherglen, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Airdrie, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Hamilton, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Motherwell, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Wishaw, - -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - Total closing.	Partitions to be no higher than 7 feet 6 inches. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Lanark, - -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Biggar, - -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTES IN REGARD TO THE LAW RELATING TO PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

Under Section 82 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act of 1903, which was made adoptive by County Councils, ice-cream and aerated-water shops were required to be registered, and power was conferred upon Town Councils and upon County Councils who adopted that section, to make By-laws regulating the hours of opening and closing.

As a result of various decisions of the Courts, these provisions were found to be insufficient, and the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act of 1911 repealed the specific reference to ice-cream and aerated-water shops, and introduced a new category of places for regulation, viz., places for public refreshment, which includes "any building or part of a building or other place of public resort for the sale for consumption therein of provisions or refreshments of any kind (including confectionery, ice-cream, fruit . . . and aerated waters)."

All places of public refreshment are not placed under regulation.

For instance, if the occupier is content to close his shop, as a place for the consumption therein of refreshments, at an hour not later than eight o'clock p.m. on week days, and does not open it as such at any time on Sunday, the Act does not affect him in any way in the management of his business.

If, however, he opens on Sunday, or after eight o'clock p.m. on week days, he is obliged to apply for registration to the Local Authority, and the hours of opening and closing are regulated by By-laws, which the County Council may make, provided that the hours are not more restricted than to fifteen hours daily.

The Statute further provides that the internal construction, lighting, and management of premises may be regulated by By-laws with a view to the orderly conduct and control thereof.

For the sake of reference there is appended a copy of the sections of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as applicable to counties, showing the amendments made by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911.

There is also appended (1) a copy of the By-laws made by this County Council regulating the hours of opening and closing of places for public refreshment; and (2) a synopsis of the By-laws in operation in the County and the Burghs therein.

So far as concerns the hours of opening and closing of refreshment shops, the By-laws made by the County Council have proved legally effective, and have stood the test of the Courts.

Occupiers of places for public refreshment have, however, in many cases, been able to some extent to circumvent the object of the By-laws by dividing their premises into two parts, one part being registered and the other part being unregistered.

The practice in these cases is that so soon as the registered premises are closed at the hour specified in the By-laws the sale of provisions or refreshments is carried on in the unregistered premises until midnight, which is the legal compulsory closing hour for all refreshment shops, and not infrequenty there may be seen on the main thoroughfares crowds of persons, consisting mainly of youths, partaking of refreshments. Not only is the presence of such crowds unseemly, but considerable annoyance is caused to ordinary pedestrians, as well as to occupiers of houses adjacent to these premises, and the streets are rendered most untidy, being littered with paper bags and other refuse.

Such a state of matters is most unsatisfactory, and however much one regrets it, the Local Authorities are, under the existing law, quite unable to deal with it.

It must be admitted that in some cases the action of the occupiers of such premises is quite legitimate, and no legal objection can be taken in respect that the two shops into which the premises have been divided are entirely separate, there being no internal connection or communication between them. In other cases, however, the registered and unregistered premises are connected either directly by a door or opening, or indirectly through a kitchen or cooking room, which is common to both parts.

Reference is made to the express terms of the Statute, which empowers the Local Authority to make By-laws "regulating the internal construction, "lighting, and arrangement of such premises with a view to the orderly "conduct and control thereof." Obviously if premises which are registered are allowed to connect with unregistered premises, it will be impossible for the Authorities to supervise the conduct of the business carried on in the registered premises.

The terms of the Act seem wide enough to enable Local Authorities to make By-laws which would meet the difficulty, but the By-laws presently in operation in the County and in the Burghs do not appear to be adequate.

The By-laws made by the Corporation of Glasgow provide that "No "registered premises shall have any internal communication with any private "dwelling-house or apartment used as a private dwelling-house, or living "room or with a public billiard room, save in such cases and during such "time as such communication may be specially authorised in writing by the "said Corporation." And, further, "The kitchen or other place directly "connected with registered premises in which articles for consumption on "such premises are prepared or kept or stored shall not be used by customers "frequenting such premises."

Provisions such as these would to some extent meet the difficulty, but would not provide for the case where two shops—one registered and the other unregistered—were connected by a cooking room or kitchen which was used not as a place of habitation; nor where two shops, one registered and the other unregistered, are connected by means of a door or opening.

The adoption in a County area of provisions such as are contained in the By-laws of the Corporation of Glasgow might also be oppressive, as if such a By-law were enforced many occupiers of premises which are now registered would be obliged to cease selling for consumption on the premises after eight o'clock p.m. on week days and during the whole of Sunday.

For example, there are numerous small refreshment shops in the County where the premises consist of one apartment only, and in other cases where they consist of two apartments, one being used as a kitchen and the other as a place for public refreshment, both being directly connected. In such cases, therefore, it might be considered a hardship to prohibit the sale of refreshments for consumption on the premises after eight o'clock p.m. on week days and during the whole of Sunday.

The following amendment of the By-laws is suggested by way of meeting the difficulty, viz.:—

> No registered premises shall have any internal communication or connection, either directly or indirectly, with any unregistered premises used for the sale of provisions or refreshments of any kind, nor shall registered premises have any internal communication or connection with any public billiard room, save in such cases and during such time as such communication or connection may be specially authorised in writing by the Local Authority.

It may be that if the Local Authorities agreed to extend the hours of closing on Saturday to 11 o'clock, and on other week-days to 10-30 o'clock or 10-45 o'clock p.m., and also to permit of the opening of the premises during certain hours on Sunday, occupiers of places of refreshment might not resort to the dividing up of their premises, but in cases where such division has already taken place it is doubtful whether the concession proposed would have any effect.

T.M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, February, 1914.

APPENDIX I.

PRINT of Sub-Sections (1), (2), and (3) of Section 82 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as applying to a County, showing the amendments made by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911. (Substituted or added words are printed in *italics*).

82. (1) Every person who shall keep, or suffer to be kept or used, or use any house, building, part of a building, or other premises as *a place for public refreshment, at any time between the hours of eight of the clock at night and five of the clock of the following morning, or at any time on Sunday,* without being registered in a register to be kept by the County Council, who are hereby required to keep a register for that purpose, in which they shall enter the names of applicants without charge, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, and, in the event of such premises being continued to be kept or used for such purpose after conviction, to a continuing penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day during which the offence is committed or continued.

(2) Section 57 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, shall be deemed to confer power on the County Council to make By-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing of premises registered under this section, the hours for business not being more restricted than fifteen hours daily, *except on Sunday, when the By-laws may provide for closing throughout the day or for any specified hours; and to make By-laws regulating the internal construction, lighting, and arrangement of such premises, with a view to the orderly conduct and control thereof, and such By-laws may be made either for the whole County or for any specified part or parts thereof;* and the provisions of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to By-laws and the confirmation and enforcement thereof shall apply accordingly.

(3) The County Council may at any time authorise the inspection of any house, building, part of a building, or other premises used, or suspected of being used, as *a place for public refreshment at any time between the hours of eight of the clock at night and five of the clock of the following morning, or at any time on Sunday,* and the occupier, keeper, or other person having charge thereof shall give admission thereto at any time to the Medical Officer, Sanitary Inspector, † or any other person authorised in writing by the County Council, and every occupier or keeper or other person having the charge of such premises who shall not admit such authorised person, on exhibition of his authority, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

† The word "constable" is omitted.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) AMENDMENT ACT, 1911.

BY-LAWS

FOR

REGULATING THE HOURS OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT, &c.

WE, the County Council of the County of Lanark, at a Special General Meeting of the said County Council held at Glasgow, upon *the Seventh day of June*, Nineteen hundred and twelve, there being present at least two-thirds of the whole number of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon the County Council under and in virtue of Section 97 and Section 82, Sub-section 2, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, and Section 57 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, do hereby make the following By-Laws, namely:—

1. A person registered in terms of Section 82 (1) of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, to keep or use any house, building, part of a building, or other premises as a place for public refreshment shall not keep such premises open or suffer them to be kept open—

   on Sundays before one o'clock p.m., nor later than eight o'clock p.m., and

   on other days of the week before seven o'clock a.m., nor later than ten o'clock p.m.

2. There shall not be in any registered premises any compartment or side-room having any partition, side, division, screen, or curtain more than three feet six inches in height above the level of the floor.

3. All registered premises shall be adequately lighted throughout to the satisfaction of the County Council or their inspector or officer appointed for the purpose.

EXTENT OF BY-LAWS.

4. These By-laws shall have effect and be in force in the whole County of Lanark, excluding the Royal, Parliamentary, and Police Burghs therein.

PENALTIES.

5. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing By-laws shall be liable in a penalty not exceeding FIVE POUNDS for each offence.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 20th June, 1912.

I hereby confirm the foregoing By-laws.

(Signed) T. M'KINNON WOOD,
His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.

SCOTTISH OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, 2nd January, 1913.

L. S.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Bye-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.

SYNOPSIS OF BY-LAWS IN OPERATION IN COUNTY OF LANARK AND IN BURGHS THEREIN.

	Hours of Opening and Closing.	Internal Arrangement of Premises.
County of Lanark, -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Coatbridge, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing, except during the months of May, June, July, and August, when the hours are fixed at from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. Registered premises to have no communication with private dwelling-house or apartment used as private dwelling-house or living room, save as authorised by the Town Council. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Rutherglen, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Airdrie, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Hamilton, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Motherwell, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Wishaw, - -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - Total closing.	Partitions to be no higher than 7 feet 6 inches. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Lanark, - -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Biggar, - -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.

APPENDIX III.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Acts and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1913.

SHOPS ACTS.

During the month inspections were made in 14 localities, 38 shops, &c., visited, and 5 contraventions detected (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Bakers,	3	General Merchant,	1
Chemist,	1	Grocers,	12
Confectioner,	1	Ironmonger,	1
Dairykeepers,	3	Jeweller,	1
Fishmonger,	1	Mixed shops,	13
Fruiterer,	1		

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz. :—

"Assistants' weekly half-holiday,"	2
"Mixed Shops,"	3

Five localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, and the following contraventions were detected, viz. :—

Failure to give assistant weekly half-holiday,	1
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	2

Verbal cautions were given to the offenders in all the above contraventions.

The case of failure to give an assistant a weekly half-holiday referred to a grocer's assistant who, of his own accord, had come back to dress the window on his "afternoon off." On the inspector pointing out to him that he must take his "afternoon off," he immediately suspended work.

In view of representations made by Merchants' Associations and others, the County Council granted a concession to shopkeepers allowing them to keep their shops open on the Wednesday (the day fixed by Order for the weekly half-holiday) preceding Christmas and New-Year's Day, and consequently the administration of the Shops Act was relaxed in this respect during Christmas and New-Year weeks. Regarding the assistants' "afternoon off" during these two weeks, this was left to be arranged between the employers and assistants themselves.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Nine communications were received and inquired into during the month. Eight of these were from secretaries of Merchants' Associations regarding the closing of businesses in Christmas and New-Year weeks, and the other from the secretary of the Shop Assistants' and Warehousemen's Union, regarding assistants' weekly half-holiday during these weeks.

BY-LAWS REGULATING PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

A communication from the occupier of unregistered premises in Chryston, desiring an interview with the inspector, was received and inquired into.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, &C., AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops, &c.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to Close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street Trading.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper Intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Acts.
Baillieston, - -	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellshill, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blantyre, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
Cambuslang, -	1	8	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
Chryston, - -	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cleland, - -	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Eastfield, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Garnkirk, - -	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harthill, - -	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Larkhall, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Muirhead, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Newmains, - -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shotts, - -	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	2
Uddingston, - -	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	14	38	...	...	...	1	...	...	..	4

County Offices,
Hamilton, 26*th January*, 1914.

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APPENDIX IV.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Acts and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1914.

SHOPS ACTS.

During the month, inspections were made in 7 localities; 40 shops, &c., were visited, and 11 contraventions detected (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows:—

Baker,	1	Grocers,	15
Boot and Shoemakers,	2	Hairdressers,	4
Booksellers and Stationers,	3	Ironmonger,	1
Butcher,	1	Milliner,	1
Chemist,	1	Pawnbroker's Saleroom,	1
Drapers,	3	Tailor and Clothier,	1
Fruiterer,	1	Mixed shops,	5

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz.:—

"Assistants' weekly half-holiday,"	2
"Employment of young persons,"	1
"Mixed shops,"	5

Weekly Half-holiday.—Four localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, and the following contraventions detected, viz.:—

Failure to close,	2
Street trading,	1
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	3

The cases of failure to close refer to two shops found open after 1 o'clock on the weekly half-holiday, although it was evident at the time of inspection that they were getting ready to close up. On being cautioned they promised to close in future at 1 p.m.

In connection with the relaxation of the Weekly Half-holiday Order in New-Year week, a complaint was received from the officials of Larkhall Merchants' Association regarding certain shopkeepers failing to observe New-Year's Day as a whole holiday in accordance with a resolution passed to that effect by the Association, and requesting action to be taken against the shopkeepers for keeping open on the Wednesday prior to New-Year's Day. An interview was arranged with the officials of the association, when the matter was discussed and disposed of.

Closing Orders.—An inspection was made at Cambuslang under the General Closing Order and Barbers and Hairdressers' Order. The Orders were very satisfactorily observed, only two shopkeepers being somewhat dilatory in closing. They were verbally cautioned and promised to be more punctual in future. Five licensed grocers were found to keep open for the sale of liquor and other exempted goods after the closing hour, and notices to that effect were found in every case to be properly exhibited.

An inspection was also made at Bellshill, under the Barbers and Hairdressers' Order, in connection with a complaint regarding one or two barbers failing to close at 10 p.m. on Saturdays in terms of the Order. One shop was found to be open at 10.30 p.m. The barber pleaded ignorance, and promised to observe the requirements of the Order in future.

Communications.—Four communications were received—two from the secretaries of shopkeepers' associations regarding the non-observance of Closing Orders, one from a shopkeeper regarding an assistant's "afternoon off," and the want of punctuality in the weekly half-holiday closing of certain shops, and the fourth from the secretary of the Larkhall Merchants' Association asking for the interview as aforementioned.

BY-LAWS REGULATING PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

Two places of public refreshment were inspected, and the structural arrangements were found to comply with the requirements of the by-laws.

TABLE SHOWING INSPECTIONS TO LOCALITIES, VISITS TO SHOPS, &C., AND CONTRAVENTIONS DETECTED.

LOCALITIES.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops, &c.	CONTRAVENTIONS.							
			Failure to Close, Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street Trading.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Acts.
Bellshill, - -	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blantyre, - -	1	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...
Caldercruix, -	1	5	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Cambuslang, -	2	18	2	...	...	...	...	..	...	1
Larkhall, - -	2	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Longriggend, -	1	6	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Plains, - -	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	2
	9	40	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	5

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County Offices,
Hamilton, 5th February, 1914

APPENDIX V.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

NOTES

ON THE

FABRICS (MISDESCRIPTION) ACT, 1913.

This Act, which came into operation on 1st January, 1914, was passed by Parliament with the object of reducing the number of fatal burning accidents occurring, especially among children, through their clothing—and, in particular, flannelette clothing—catching fire.

It is believed that in many cases where fatal results occurred the parents of children had been led to assume, by false descriptions, that the material used for the children's clothing was safe, when it was in fact of an extremly inflammable character.

The duty of enforcing the Act in Scotland rests on County Councils and Town Councils, and the expense, in the case of Counties, falls to be charged to the General Purposes Rate leviable on the landward area of Counties.

Section I.

The Act makes it unlawful for any person to sell, or expose, or have in his possession for sale, any textile fabric. either in the piece or made up into garments, or in any other form, to which is attributed, expressly or inferentially. the quality of non-inflammability or safety from fire, or any degree of such quality of non-inflammability or safety from fire—

(1) by wording or marking, descriptive or otherwise—

(*a*) upon the material; or

(*b*) upon any wrapper or band; or

(*c*) contained in any letterpress or writing referring to the material; or

(2) by verbal representation at the time of sale;

unless such textile fabric conforms to such standard of non-inflammability as may be prescribed by regulations to be made by the Secretary for Scotland.

If any person sells, or has in his possession, *textile* fabric in contravention of the Act, he is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding, in the case of a first offence, ten pounds, or in the case of a second or subsequent offence fifty pounds.

Section II.
Regulations of Secretary for Scotland.

In pursuance of this provision the Secretary for Scotland has made the following Regulations, viz.:—

"1. A textile fabric shall be deemed to conform to the standard of non-inflammability if, when tested in accordance with the prescribed method of testing, it is not set alight, or, if set alight, burns without a flame, or with a flame which does not spread but converges and dies out.

"2. The prescribed method of testing shall be as follows:—

"A sample of the fabric, measuring not less than one square yard, shall be taken, and, after it has been four times in succession thoroughly washed with soap and water, dried and ironed, shall be suspended vertically without folds or creases, and so that the lower edge shall not

be a selvedge or a folded edge. The flame of a wax taper, not less than $\frac{1}{8}$ inch or more than $\frac{3}{16}$ inch in thickness shall then be brought in contact with the fabric at its lower edge and shall be kept in contact for not less than twelve or more than fifteen seconds."

If, therefore, a sample of fabric on being tested in accordance with the prescribed method, does not comply with the conditions set out in paragraph 1 of the Regulations it is to be deemed not to conform to the standard of non-inflammability and may not be sold as non-inflammable or safe.

Section III. The Act further provides that—where in any proceedings against a person charged with an offence under this Act, it is proved that an offence under this Act has been committed, but that the person charged with the offence—

(*a*) purchased the textile fabric in respect of which the offence was committed from a person resident within the United Kingdom who sold the textile fabric under a warranty that it complied with the prescribed standard of non-inflammability; and

(*b*) took reasonable steps to ascertain, and did in fact believe in the accuracy of the statement contained in the warranty;

the person so charged shall be entitled upon an information duly laid by him to have the person who gave the warranty brought before the court, and that person may be summarily convicted of the offence, and the person originally charged shall be exempt from any fine, and the person so convicted shall, in the discretion of the court, also be liable to pay any costs incidental to the proceedings.

Section IV. It is also provided that, where a person is charged with having textile fabric in his possession in contravention of this Act, any such material proved in the proceedings to have been found in his possession shall be deemed to be intended for sale as aforesaid unless the contrary is proved.

The County Council or its appropriate Committee will consider the question as to how best the provisions of the Act may be enforced in the County.

The application of the test prescribed by the Regulations is not a matter which requires expert knowledge or scientific apparatus, and it is suggested that the work of carrying out the Act might be entrusted to the Inspectors appointed in connection with the administration of the Shops Act. If this suggestion is approved it will be necessary that these officers should be appointed by name with power to institute and carry on any proceedings which the Local Authority are themselves authorised to institute and carry on under the Act.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *February*, 1914.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 25th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 25th March, 1914.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE.
Colonel BUCHANAN.
JAMES CAMERON.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
Rev. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
JAMES HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.
A. D. MACK.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
WILLIAM SYM.
DAVID THOMSON.
JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

Captain DESPARD, Chief Constable of the County.
ALEXANDER SCOTT, C.E.

Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th March, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was submitted to the meeting a communication from Mr. William Weir, sanitary inspector, Rutherglen, of date 5th March, on the subject of the Shops Act, 1912. *Shops Act, 1912.—Letter from Sanitary Inspector of Rutherglen.*

The Clerk informed the meeting that complaints were being lodged with Mr. Weir to the effect that when shopkeepers in the Burgh of Rutherglen refused to supply goods to customers after the prescribed hours under the Closing Orders applicable to the Burgh, that the customers simply crossed the road to shops within the Lower Ward District of the County—where no Orders were in force—and were supplied; and that the Burgh Authorities were desirous that some arrangement should be come to between the County and the Burgh which might get over the difficulty which had arisen. *Statement by Clerk.*

The Clerk further stated that when the Act first came into operation the question of making a Weekly Half-Holiday Order dealing with shops in the Lower Ward District of the County was very carefully considered, but owing to a diversity of opinion amongst the shopkeepers in regard to the particular day which should be chosen the matter was dropped.

Meeting's decision.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to cause enquiry to be made with a view to ascertaining the views of the shopkeepers in the Lower Ward District of the County.

Shops Act, 1912, &c.—Inspectors' Report for February, 1914.

There was laid before the meeting the report (Appendix I.) by the Inspectors under the Shops Act, 1912, &c., for the month of February, 1914, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee.

Band By-laws. — Special Permits granted.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to grant six months' permits, under the By-laws Regulating the Assembling or Procession of Bands, &c., to the following bands, subject to the usual terms and conditions, viz.:—

(1) Auchinairn Brass Band (per John T. Wright, 13 Huntershill Street, Springburn), applicable within the village of Auchinairn; and

(2) Douglas Brass Band (per T. Telfer, Castle Hill, Douglas, Lanarkshire), applicable within the village of Douglas.

By-laws regulating registered places for public refreshment.—Minutes of Committee of Conference.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the minutes of the committee (Appendix II.) appointed at the Conference of Representatives of the County Council and of the several Burghs in the County on the subject of By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.

Statement by chairman.

Under reference to these minutes, the chairman called attention to the recommendations therein contained suggesting the amendment of the by-laws presently in force in the County, so as to provide that registered places for public refreshment be allowed to remain open—

(1) On Sundays from one o'clock p.m. to eight o'clock p.m.;

(2) On Saturdays from seven o'clock a.m. to eleven o'clock p.m.; and

(3) On other days of the week from seven o'clock a.m. to 10.30 o'clock p.m.

Reference was also made to the proposed by-law dealing with registered premises which had means of connection with other premises.

Recommendation to County Council.

The meeting, after consideration, unanimously agreed to recommend the County Council that the by-laws be amended in accordance with the recommendations of the committee as above indicated.

Application for withdrawal of registration authorised, if bona fide.

There was submitted to the meeting an application for withdrawal of registration by Antonio Verrecchia, in respect of premises occupied by him at 89 West End, Bellshill, and the meeting authorised the Clerk to give effect to the application, subject to same being *bonâ fide.*

Contraventions.

Informations by the police for alleged contraventions of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, and the By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment, were submitted against the following persons, viz.:—

(1) Jane Gilchrist or Nisbet, in respect of unregistered premises situated at Orchard View, Ferniegair, Hamilton; and

(2) Nellie Prett or Salvatore, in respect of registered premises situated at 48 Glasgow Road, Cambuslang.

No proceedings to be taken.

The meeting, after consideration, did not deem it advisable to institute proceedings in either of the cases referred to.

Result of prosecution.

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting proceedings had been instituted in one case, the accused being fined 50s., or twenty days' imprisonment.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk laid before the meeting the minutes of the sub-committee (Appendix III.) appointed in regard to the Cinematograph Act, 1909, of date 18th March, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee. *Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Minutes of sub-committee.*

The meeting, after consideration, approved of the minutes of the sub-committee, and authorised the Clerk to give effect to the recommendations contained therein. *Recommendations of sub-committee to be given effect to.*

The following applications for renewals of licences were submitted, viz.:— *Applications for renewals of licences.*

Applicant.	Premises.	Date of Expiry of Licence.
James M'Andrew, - -	Hall at Crown Hotel, Strathaven, -	23/3/1914.
Archibald & John Macdonald,	Pavilion Picture House, Baillieston, -	26/4/1914.

Satisfactory reports having been read from the police, the meeting agreed to renew the licences above referred to for one year. *Renewals authorised.*

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Acts and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1914.

SHOPS ACTS.

During the month inspections were made in 23 localities, and 78 shops, &c., were visited, and 41 contraventions detected (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows:—

Bakers,	2	General Merchant,	1
Bookseller and Stationer,	1	Grocers,	24
Boot and Shoemaker,	1	Hairdressers,	2
Confectioner,	1	Licensed Hawkers,	3
Cycle Agent,	1	Refreshment and Ice Cream Dealers,	2
Dairy-keepers	10	Wine and Spirit Merchants,	5
Fishmongers,	2	Mixed Shops,	22
Fruiterer,	1		

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz.:—

"Assistants' weekly half-holiday,"	9
"Shops' weekly half-holiday,"	3
"Employment of young persons,"	17
"Mixed shops,"	15

Weekly Half-holiday.—Eleven localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, and the following contraventions detected, viz.:—

Failure to close,	2
Street trading,	3
Failure to give assistant weekly half-holiday,	2
Failure to give proper intervals for meals.	2
Failure to provide a seat for female assistant.	1
Employing young persons more than 74 hours per week,	3
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	20

The two cases of failure to close were due more to inadvertance than the wilful contravention of the Act. In one of them the shop was changing hands, and, for convenience, the Wednesday half-holiday had been fixed for the purpose of stock-taking, though the inspector found a customer in the shop. The other case referred to a mixed shop, which had been visited for the first time, and where no half-holiday was observed for the sale of non-exempted goods. A verbal warning to both offenders was sufficient to put matters right.

Two cases of failure to give assistants an "afternoon off" referred to two girls, under 18 years of age, who were employed in mixed shops. Both girls worked for more than 74 hours per week. They did not get a weekly half-holiday, nor were proper intervals for meals allowed them The necessary statutory notices have been sent to the girls' employers, and the inspectors are arranging for a personal interview with them with a view to the conditions of the girls' employment being remedied in strict accordance with the provisions of the Act.

In the other remaining cases of contraventions detected on the weekly half-holiday, and also those detected on the other days of the week, a warning from the inspectors was deemed sufficient meantime.

Closing Orders.—One inspection was made at Newton and Westburn in connection with a complaint about a mixed shop carrying on business after the closing hours. At the time of inspection (10 p.m. Saturday) no cause for complaint was detected. Special observations will be made of this shop so as to obviate any further cause for complaint.

Communications.—One communication from an anonymous shopkeeper, complaining of mixed shops in Kirkhill, Cambuslang, selling groceries after Closing Order hours, was received and enquired into.

BY-LAWS REGULATING PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

Structural Arrangements.

Seven inspections, viz. :—3 at Cambuslang, 2 at Garnqueen, 1 at Millerston, and 1 at Uddingston, were made. The structural arrangements in two ice-cream vendors' premises—one at Cambuslang and one at Uddingston—did not comply with the by-laws, in so far as there existed separate rooms with partitions more than 3 feet 6 inches above the floor level, and in one of the premises the lighting was defective. The contraventions have been reported to the County Clerk, and in one of them a complaint has been lodged with the Procurator-Fiscal with a view to legal proceedings being instituted.

Table showing Inspections to Localities, Visits to Shops, &c., and Contraventions detected.

Localities.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops &c.	Contraventions.							
			Failure to Close, Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street Trading.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper Intervals for meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Acts.
Baillieston,	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellshill,	1	4	...	...	...	..	2	...	...	...
Blantyre (Low),	1	19	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	10
,, (High),	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bothwell Park,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Cambuslang,	2	7	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	1
Carfin,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Chryston,	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Coalburn,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Garnqueen,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gartcosh,	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Millerston,	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Mossend,	1	7	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	2
Muirhead,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
Newarthill,	1	4	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Newton,	1	1	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
New Lanark,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
New Trows (Lesmahagow),	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Riddrie,	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
annochside,	1	3	...	..	...	1	1	...	1	3
hankerton,	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Uddingston,	1	1	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Westburn,	1	1	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Total,	24	78	2	...	3	2	5	1	3	25

County Offices,
Hamilton, 9th March, 1914.

J. T. W.

APPENDIX II.

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MINUTE OF COMMITTEE

ON

BY-LAWS REGULATING REGISTERED PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

4th March, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 4th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Committee of Representatives of the County Council of Lanarkshire and of the several Town Councils in the County on the subject of By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.

Present—

As representing :—

(1) *County Council of Lanark—*
Colonel Buchanan.
Joseph Sullivan.
Sir Thomas Munro, *County Clerk.*

(2) *Burgh of Airdrie—*
Bailie M'Gregor.
John J. M'Murdo, *Town Clerk Depute.*

(3) *Burgh of Biggar—*
Provost Hope.

(4) *Burgh of Coatbridge—*
Provost Thomas Davie.
Bailie Samuel Lindsay.

(5) *Burgh of Hamilton—*
Ex-Provost Keith.
Dean of Guild Anderson.
P. M. Kirkpatrick, *Town Clerk.*

(6) *Burgh of Lanark—*
Provost Paton.
Bailie Graham.
James Annan, *Town Clerk.*

(7) *Burgh of Rutherglen—*
Treasurer J. N. Brown.
Councillor David Hardie.

(8) *Burgh of Wishaw—*
Bailie Frew.
Councillor Anderson.
A. G. Stewart, *Town Clerk.*

Chairman. Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Clerk of meeting. Sir Thomas Munro acted as clerk to the meeting.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was intimated from the Rev. Mr. Goodfellow (County of Lanark).

Remit to committee. The Clerk laid before the meeting the remit to the committee, as contained in the minutes of the conference of the Local Authorities, held on 11th ultimo, a print of which he had sent to each member of the committee.

Notes by Sir Thomas Munro. The Clerk also laid before the meeting Notes (Appendix) which he had prepared in regard to the law relating to places of refreshment, and stated that he had sent copies to the several Town Clerks for the use of the representatives of the Burghs on the committee, and also to the representatives of the County Council.

Deputations from traders in attendance. The Clerk stated that there were in attendance two deputations desiring to be heard by the committee, viz. :—

(1) Mr. James Ballantine, solicitor, Glasgow, as representing the Temperance Refreshment Traders' Defence Association; and

(2) Mr. John K. Murray, solicitor, Motherwell, as representing the Italian Traders' Association;

each of whom were accompanied by members of these associations.

The meeting having agreed to hear the deputations, the members thereof were introduced. *Deputations introduced.*

Mr. Ballantine and Mr. Murray each stated on behalf of their clients that they would respectfully request the Local Authorities to extend the hours of opening under the By-laws during week days to eleven o'clock p.m., and to allow opening on Sundays from two o'clock p.m. to ten o'clock p.m., and indicated that if such a modification of the By-laws were given effect to, their clients would not only undertake to comply with the By-laws, but would co-operate with the Local Authorities in getting other traders to comply with them, and also in connection with the obtaining of further powers from Parliament should that be necessary. They further indicated that, in the event of such extensions of hours being given, it would go far to solve the difficulty created by the splitting up of shops. *Statements on behalf of traders.*

After an interchange of views, the deputations, after thanking the committee for their courtesy in receiving them, withdrew. *Deputations withdraw.*

The meeting, having considered the representation made on behalf of the traders, did not see their way to grant it to the full extent indicated, but proceeded to consider what modifications might be made with a view to the adoption of a uniform set of By-laws. *Committee's finding.*

After discussion, the representatives of the County and the several Burghs represented at the meeting unanimously agreed to recommend to their respective constituents to amend their By-laws so as to provide that registered places for public refreshment be allowed to remain open— *Amendments of by-laws agreed upon by Committee.*

(1) On Sundays from one o'clock p.m. to eight o'clock p.m.;

(2) On Saturdays from seven o'clock a.m. to eleven o'clock p.m.; and

(3) On other days of the week from seven o'clock a.m. to ten-thirty o'clock p.m.

The meeting further agreed to recommend that effect be given in the By-laws to the suggested amendment contained in the Notes prepared by Sir Thomas Munro, providing that—"No registered premises shall have any "internal communication or connection, either directly or indirectly, with "any unregistered premises used for the sale of provisions or refreshments "of any kind, nor shall registered premises have any internal communication "or connection with any public billiard room, save in such cases and during "such time as such communication or connection may be specially authorised "in writing by the Local Authority." *Further amendment to be given effect to.*

It was stated on behalf of the Burgh of Rutherglen that as their By-laws had only very recently been made, the Town Council might not be disposed to amend them at such an early date, but that the recommendations of this committee would be submitted to the Town Council. *Burgh of Rutherglen's by-laws.*

It was thereafter remitted to the Clerks of the several Local Authorities concerned to adjust the By-laws in conformity with the resolutions come to, and to submit the same to a future meeting of the committee. *Clerk of Local Authorities to adjust new form of By-laws.*

With regard to the question of promoting legislation to confer further powers on the Local Authorities, the meeting expressed the view that consideration of it might be delayed, pending the effect of the proposed amended By-laws, if adopted by the several Authorities concerned. *Question of promoting legislation.*

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

NOTES IN REGARD TO THE LAW RELATING TO PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

Under Section 82 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act of 1903, which was made adoptive by County Councils, ice-cream and aerated-water shops were required to be registered, and power was conferred upon Town Councils and upon County Councils who adopted that section, to make By-laws regulating the hours of opening and closing.

As a result of various decisions of the Courts, these provisions were found to be insufficient, and the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act of 1911 repealed the specific reference to ice-cream and aerated-water shops, and introduced a new category of places for regulation, viz., places for public refreshment, which includes "any building or part of a building or other place of public resort for the sale for consumption therein of provisions or refreshments of any kind (including confectionery, ice-cream, fruit . . . and aerated waters)."

All places of public refreshment are not placed under regulation.

For instance, if the occupier is content to close his shop, as a place for the consumption therein of refreshments, at an hour not later than eight o'clock p.m. on week days, and does not open it as such at any time on Sunday, the Act does not affect him in any way in the management of his business.

If, however, he opens on Sunday, or after eight o'clock p.m. on week days, he is obliged to apply for registration to the Local Authority, and the hours of opening and closing are regulated by By-laws, which the County Council may make, provided that the hours are not more restricted than to fifteen hours daily.

The Statute further provides that the internal construction, lighting, and management of premises may be regulated by By-laws with a view to the orderly conduct and control thereof.

For the sake of reference there is appended a copy of the sections of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as applicable to counties, showing the amendments made by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911.

There is also appended (1) a copy of the By-laws made by this County Council regulating the hours of opening and closing of places for public refreshment; and (2) a synopsis of the By-laws in operation in the County and the Burghs therein.

So far as concerns the hours of opening and closing of refreshment shops, the By-laws made by the County Council have proved legally effective, and have stood the test of the Courts.

Occupiers of places for public refreshment have, however, in many cases, been able to some extent to circumvent the object of the By-laws by dividing their premises into two parts, one part being registered and the other part being unregistered.

The practice in these cases is that so soon as the registered premises are closed at the hour specified in the By-laws the sale of provisions or refreshments is carried on in the unregistered premises until midnight, which is the legal compulsory closing hour for all refreshment shops, and not infrequenty there may be seen on the main thoroughfares crowds of persons, consisting mainly of youths, partaking of refreshments. Not only is the presence of such crowds unseemly, but considerable annoyance is caused to ordinary pedestrians, as well as to occupiers of houses adjacent to these premises, and the streets are rendered most untidy, being littered with paper bags and other refuse.

Such a state of matters is most unsatisfactory, and however much one regrets it, the Local Authorities are, under the existing law, quite unable to deal with it.

It must be admitted that in some cases the action of the occupiers of such premises is quite legitimate, and no legal objection can be taken in respect that the two shops into which the premises have been divided are entirely separate, there being no internal connection or communication between them. In other cases, however, the registered and unregistered premises are connected either directly by a door or opening, or indirectly through a kitchen or cooking room, which is common to both parts.

Reference is made to the express terms of the Statute, which empowers the Local Authority to make By-laws "regulating the internal construction, "lighting, and arrangement of such premises with a view to the orderly "conduct and control thereof." Obviously if premises which are registered are allowed to connect with unregistered premises, it will be impossible for the Authorities to supervise the conduct of the business carried on in the registered premises.

The terms of the Act seem wide enough to enable Local Authorities to make By-laws which would meet the difficulty, but the By-laws presently in operation in the County and in the Burghs do not appear to be adequate.

The By-laws made by the Corporation of Glasgow provide that "No "registered premises shall have any internal communication with any private "dwelling-house or apartment used as a private dwelling-house, or living "room or with a public billiard room, save in such cases and during such "time as such communication may be specially authorised in writing by the "said Corporation." And, further, "The kitchen or other place directly "connected with registered premises in which articles for consumption on "such premises are prepared or kept or stored shall not be used by customers "frequenting such premises."

Provisions such as these would to some extent meet the difficulty, but would not provide for the case where two shops—one registered and the other unregistered—were connected by a cooking room or kitchen which was used not as a place of habitation; nor where two shops, one registered and the other unregistered, are connected by means of a door or opening.

The adoption in a County area of provisions such as are contained in the By-laws of the Corporation of Glasgow might also be oppressive, as if such a By-law were enforced many occupiers of premises which are now registered would be obliged to cease selling for consumption on the premises after eight o'clock p.m. on week days and during the whole of Sunday.

For example, there are numerous small refreshment shops in the County where the premises consist of one apartment only, and in other cases where they consist of two apartments, one being used as a kitchen and the other as a place for public refreshment, both being directly connected. In such cases, therefore, it might be considered a hardship to prohibit the sale of refreshments for consumption on the premises after eight o'clock p.m. on week days and during the whole of Sunday.

The following amendment of the By-laws is suggested by way of meeting the difficulty, viz.:—

> No registered premises shall have any internal communication or connection, either directly or indirectly, with any unregistered premises used for the sale of provisions or refreshments of any kind, nor shall registered premises have any internal communication or connection with any public billiard room, save in such cases and during such time as such communication or connection may be specially authorised in writing by the Local Authority.

It may be that if the Local Authorities agreed to extend the hours of closing on Saturday to 11 o'clock, and on other week-days to 10-30 o'clock or 10-45 o'clock p.m., and also to permit of the opening of the premises during certain hours on Sunday, occupiers of places of refreshment might not resort to the dividing up of their premises, but in cases where such division has already taken place it is doubtful whether the concession proposed would have any effect.

T.M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, February, 1914.

APPENDIX I.

PRINT of Sub-Sections (1), (2), and (3) of Section 82 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as applying to a County, showing the amendments made by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911. (Substituted or added words are printed in *italics*).

82. (1) Every person who shall keep, or suffer to be kept or used, or use any house, building, part of a building, or other premises as *a place for public refreshment, at any time between the hours of eight of the clock at night and five of the clock of the following morning, or at any time on Sunday,* without being registered in a register to be kept by the County Council, who are hereby required to keep a register for that purpose, in which they shall enter the names of applicants without charge, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, and, in the event of such premises being continued to be kept or used for such purpose after conviction, to a continuing penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day during which the offence is committed or continued.

(2) Section 57 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, shall be deemed to confer power on the County Council to make By-laws in regard to the hours of opening and closing of premises registered under this section, the hours for business not being more restricted than fifteen hours daily, *except on Sunday, when the By-laws may provide for closing throughout the day or for any specified hours; and to make By-laws regulating the internal construction, lighting, and arrangement of such premises, with a view to the orderly conduct and control thereof, and such By-laws may be made either for the whole County or for any specified part or parts thereof;* and the provisions of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to By-laws and the confirmation and enforcement thereof shall apply accordingly.

(3) The County Council may at any time authorise the inspection of any house, building, part of a building, or other premises used, or suspected of being used, as *a place for public refreshment at any time between the hours of eight of the clock at night and five of the clock of the following morning, or at any time on Sunday,* and the occupier, keeper, or other person having charge thereof shall give admission thereto at any time to the Medical Officer, Sanitary Inspector, † or any other person authorised in writing by the County Council, and every occupier or keeper or other person having the charge of such premises who shall not admit such authorised person, on exhibition of his authority, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

† The word "constable" is omitted.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) AMENDMENT ACT, 1911.

BY-LAWS

FOR

REGULATING THE HOURS OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT, &c.

WE, the County Council of the County of Lanark, at a Special General Meeting of the said County Council held at Glasgow, upon *the Seventh day of June*, Nineteen hundred and twelve, there being present at least two-thirds of the whole number of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon the County Council under and in virtue of Section 97 and Section 82, Sub-section 2, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, and Section 57 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, do hereby make the following By-Laws, namely:—

1. A person registered in terms of Section 82 (1) of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, to keep or use any house, building, part of a building, or other premises as a place for public refreshment shall not keep such premises open or suffer them to be kept open—

   on Sundays before one o'clock p.m., nor later than eight o'clock p.m., and

   on other days of the week before seven o'clock a.m., nor later than ten o'clock p.m.

2. There shall not be in any registered premises any compartment or side-room having any partition, side, division, screen, or curtain more than three feet six inches in height above the level of the floor.

3. All registered premises shall be adequately lighted throughout to the satisfaction of the County Council or their inspector or officer appointed for the purpose.

EXTENT OF BY-LAWS.

4. These By-laws shall have effect and be in force in the whole County of Lanark, excluding the Royal, Parliamentary, and Police Burghs therein.

PENALTIES.

5. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing By-laws shall be liable in a penalty not exceeding FIVE POUNDS for each offence.

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 20th June, 1912.

I hereby confirm the foregoing By-laws.

(Signed) T. M'KINNON WOOD,
His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.

L. S.

SCOTTISH OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, 2nd January, 1913.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Bye-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.

SYNOPSIS OF BY-LAWS IN OPERATION IN COUNTY OF LANARK AND IN BURGHS THEREIN.

	Hours of Opening and Closing.	Internal Arrangement of Premises.
County of Lanark, -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Coatbridge, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing, except during the months of May, June, July, and August, when the hours are fixed at from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. Registered premises to have no communication with private dwelling-house or apartment used as private dwelling-house or living room, save as authorised by the Town Council. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Rutherglen, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	No partitions to be higher than 3 feet 6 inches. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Airdrie, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	No partitions to be higher than 5 feet. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Hamilton, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Motherwell, -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Nil.
Burgh of Wishaw, - -	Week days, - (except Saturday) 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, - - 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday, - Total closing.	Partitions to be no higher than 7 feet 6 inches. No snibs to be on doors of sitting rooms in registered premises. Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Lanark, - -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.
Burgh of Biggar, - -	Week days, - 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, - - Total closing.	Premises to be adequately lighted throughout.

APPENDIX III.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON CINEMATOGRAPH ACT, 1909.

18th March, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 18th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Sub-Committee of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark appointed in connection with the Cinematograph Act, 1909.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN. | WILLIAM SYM.
DAVID THOMSON.

Attending—

ALEXANDER SCOTT, C.E.

Chairman. Colonel Buchanan in the chair.

Apology for absence. An apology for absence was submitted from Mr. James Tonner.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Inspection of Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang. The Clerk reported that Messrs. Thomson, Tonner, and Sym, along with Mr. Scott, engineer, visited the Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang, on Wednesday, 11th March, and, after consideration and inspection of the buildings, expressed the opinion that the existing exits were not quite satisfactory.

Recommendation of sub-committee. It was, however, agreed to recommend that the present licence should be renewed for a further period of three months, and that, meantime, the owners and lessee should be asked to consider the question of providing additional exits, and, if agreed, to submit plans for the consideration of the committee.

Co-operative Society to be approached. The lessee's law agent, who was present, stated that his client would take the matter up with the Co-operative Society, and make proposals with a view to meeting the suggestion which had been made.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following prints, copies of which he had sent to each member of the sub-committee, viz.:— *Prints submitted to meeting.*

(1) Suggested new form of licence containing conditions which would apply to all premises licensed under the Cinematograph Act;

(2) Note of suggested conditions, in addition to those contained in the ordinary form of licence, which would apply to new buildings intended to be used for the purpose of cinematograph entertainments;

(3) Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, of date 10th March, 1910; and

(4) Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland, of date 17th June, 1913.

The meeting, after careful consideration, and having made several alterations of and additions to the form of licence and note of conditions applicable to new buildings, agreed to recommend their adoption as the same are set forth in Appendices I. and II. of this minute. *New form of licence, &c., approved of.*

It was further agreed to recommend that all existing licences, as they fall to be renewed, should be replaced by the new form of licence, and that each new licence issued should be accompanied with prints of such Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland as may be then in force. *Issue of new licences.*

APPENDIX I.

County of Lanark.

CINEMATOGRAPH ACT, 1909.

LICENCE.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that, in pursuance of the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1909, the County Council of the County of Lanark, as the Local Authority for the said County, have licensed,

and do hereby license

residing at

to use the premises situated at

for exhibitions of pictures, or other optical effects, by means of a cinematograph or other similar apparatus for the purposes of which inflammable films are used, subject to such *Regulations as have been made, or may from time to time be made, by the Secretary for Scotland under the said Act, and also to the following conditions, viz.:—

1. Adequate exits shall be provided and maintained to the satisfaction of the Local Authority, or the officer appointed by them for the purpose of inspecting premises licensed under the above Act.
2. All exit doors shall open outwards, and, so long as the public are present be indicated by the word "Exit" distinctly marked and illuminated.
3. The seating in the building shall be so arranged as not to interfere with free access to the exits; and the gangways, staircases, and passages leading to the exits shall, during the presence of the public in the building, be kept clear of obstructions.

*NOTE.—Prints of the Regulations of the Secretary for Scotland in force at the date of the issue of this licence are sent herewith and are to be read along with the Licence.

4. All exits, gangways, passages, and staircases shall, during the presence of the public, be kept adequately lighted.

5. The public shall be allowed to leave the premises by all exit doors.

6. All curtains shall be hung on sliding rings, and shall be parted in the centre and shall not trail on the ground.

7. The premises shall not be opened under this Licence on Sundays.

8. The licensee of the said premises shall provide and keep in working order such appliances for the extinguishing of fire as the Local Authority or their authorised officer shall require.

9. If any alteration is made on the premises or on the enclosure containing the cinematograph apparatus without the sanction of the Local Authority this Licence shall lapse.

10. No child under 14 years of age shall, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian, be permitted to be in the premises licensed after 9.30 o'clock p.m.

11. Provision shall be made in such premises for separate seating accommodation for children under 14 years of age who are not accompanied by their parents or guardians.

12. Fire appliances adequate for the protection of the building shall be provided, and shall include at least the following, namely, a damp blanket, two buckets of water, and a bucket of dry sand. In a building used habitually for the purpose of cinematograph or other similar exhibitions they shall also include a sufficient number of hand grenades or other portable fire-extinguishers.

The fire appliances shall be so disposed that there shall be sufficient means of dealing with fire readily available for use within the enclosure. Before the commencement of each performance the cinematograph operator shall satisfy himself that the fire appliances intended for use within the enclosure are in working order, and during the performance such appliances shall be in the charge of some person specially nominated for that purpose who shall see that they are kept constantly available for use.

This Licence is also subject to any further conditions that may be laid down by the County Council.

This Licence shall continue in force from this date until

unless the Licence be sooner revoked or has lapsed.

County Clerk.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

CINEMATOGRAPH ACT, 1909.

NOTE OF CONDITIONS, IN ADDITION TO THOSE CONTAINED IN THE ORDINARY FORM OF LICENCE, WHICH WILL APPLY TO ALL NEW BUILDINGS WHICH ARE INTENDED TO BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CINEMATOGRAPH ENTERTAINMENTS.

1. All exit doors shall be fitted with automatic bolts of a pattern, and in a position, approved by the Local Authority or the officer appointed by them, and shall open outwards. There must be at least two such exits, each of a width of not less than 3 feet 6 inches.

2. Where the premises are capable of holding more than 350 persons, one foot of additional exit door width shall be provided for every 50 additional persons or part of such number of persons.

3. Where there are inner and outer doors the inner doors grouped together and the outer doors grouped together shall in each case satisfy these exit width conditions.

4. The seating in the premises shall be so placed that there shall be a space of at least one foot between the front of one seat and the back of the next, measured between perpendicular; and where chairs are used they shall be either fixed to the floor or battened together in lengths of not less than four or more than twelve chairs; and such seating shall be arranged so as not to interfere with free access to the exits. Not more than 20 persons shall be seated in a row of seating where there is a passage at either end, and in the case of a row of seating terminating against a dead end not more than 7 persons shall be seated in such a row.

5. The widths of passages and gangways shall be not less than 3 feet 6 inches, and the widths of staircases not less than 4 feet, and such gangways, passages, and staircases shall, during the presence of the public, be kept free of obstruction.

6. All steps shall have a tread of not less than 12 inches and a rise not exceeding 6 inches, and at every turn in a staircase there shall be a landing.

7. The lighting of all exits, gangways, passages, and staircases shall have an independent control from that used for the general lighting of the premises.

8. Except where otherwise allowed, all passages and exits shall be provided with an auxiliary system of lighting to the satisfaction of the Local Authority.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd April, 1914, being a Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. — 22nd April, 1914.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE.
WILLIAM BELL.
Colonel BUCHANAN.
WILLIAM DAVIE.
Rev. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.
JAMES HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.
Colonel LOGAN.
A. D. MACK.
JOSEPH SULLIVAN.
DAVID THOMSON.
JAMES C. HOPE VERE.

Attending—

ALEXANDER SCOTT, C.E.

Colonel Buchanan, chairman of the committee, presiding. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 25th March, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting a copy of the report (Appendix I.) of the Inspectors under the Shops Act, 1912, &c., for the month of March, a print of which had been sent to each member of the committee. — *Report by Inspectors under Shops Act, 1912.*

There was submitted to the meeting a communication from the County Medical Officer relative to the remuneration of the Inspectors under the various Acts, and, the Clerk having explained that this matter would also fall to be dealt with by the Public Health Committee at their meeting to be held subsequently, it was agreed to remit the matter, so far as the interests of this committee were concerned, to the members of the committee who are also members of the Public Health Committee. — *Remuneration of Inspectors under various Acts.—Remit.*

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting the Clerk reported that, as instructed, he had taken steps to ascertain the views of the shopkeepers in the Lower Ward District in regard to the proposal to make an Order fixing Tuesday as the day of the weekly half-holiday for that district, and, as relative thereto, he submitted a statement showing that, out of 138 shopkeepers to whom communications were sent, replies had been received from 85, and that of these 23 had replied "Yes," and 62 "No." — *Proposal to make an Order fixing Tuesday as the weekly half-holiday in Lower Ward District.*

After consideration the meeting agreed that, in view of the result shown in the statement submitted, no further action be taken in the matter.

Minutes of Committee of Representatives of County Council and Town Councils regarding By-laws regulating Registered Places of Public Refreshment.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the minutes (Appendix II.) of the Committee of Local Authorities in the County on the subject of By-laws regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment, containing the recommendations of that committee in regard to the proposed new form of By-laws, and he stated that a print of the minutes had been sent to each member of this committee.

In accordance with the recommendations contained in these minutes, the committee unanimously resolved to recommend the County Council to make the new Bye-laws as set forth in the appendix to this minute, provided a satisfactory understanding was come to with the traders, as indicated in the minutes of the committee referred to.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911.—Alleged Contravention by George Ferrie, 42 New Street, Stonehouse.

An information having been submitted to the meeting against George Ferrie, 42 New Street, Stonehouse, for an alleged offence against the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, in respect of his unregistered premises, known as the "Bakehouse," and situated at New Street, Stonehouse, the meeting agreed, by a majority, to institute proceedings, and authorised the Clerk to transmit the information to the Fiscal.

Decision of Court in case.

The Clerk reported that, since the date of last meeting, one case had been before the Court, when a conviction was obtained, and a fine of 40s. imposed.

By-laws regulating the Assembling or Procession of Bands, &c.—Permits.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to grant six months' permit, under the By-laws regulating the Assembling or Procession of Bands, &c., to the following bands, subject to the usual terms and conditions, viz.:—

(1) Coalburn District Temperance Pipe Band (per James M'Evoy, Secretary, Garden Street, Coalburn), applicable within the Parish of Lesmahagow;

(2) Larkhall Town Band (per Mr. Peter King, Secretary, Croft Road, Larkhall), applicable within the districts of Larkhall, Allanton, and Ferniegair; and

(3) Newarthill Pipe Band (per Mr. Andrew Baxter, Secretary, Main Street, Newarthill), applicable within the villages of Cleland, Newarthill, Carfin, Holytown, and New Stevenston.

In the following cases the meeting agreed to grant permits to continue in force, until revoked, viz.:—

(1) 6th Battalion (Territorial) Scottish Rifles Band (per Mr. Peter Laird, Lee's Land, Thorniewood, Uddingston), applicable throughout the County when not in regimental uniform; and

(2) Coalburn District Boy Scouts' Pipe Band (per Mr. Peter Taylor, Secretary, Railway Terrace, Coalburn), applicable throughout the County.

Cinematograph Act.—Application by Mr. James Graham, Bridgeton, for transfer of licence.

There was submitted an application by Mr. James Graham, 37 Carstairs Street, Bridgeton, Glasgow, for a transfer of licence held by Mr. Henry Hanlon, Burnside Terrace, Flemington, Cambuslang, in respect of the Old School, Newmains, known as the "Palladium Picture House," and, the Clerk having stated that Mr. Hanlon had consented thereto, and that the police report in regard to the conduct of the entertainments was satisfactory, the meeting authorised the granting of the transfer applied for.

Cinematograph Act. — Application by Messrs. William and James Lewis for renewal of license.

The Clerk also laid before the meeting an application by Messrs. William & James Lewis for a renewal of licence in respect of the Rink Picture Palace, Cambuslang, which expired on 20th current. The meeting having been informed that the police report was satisfactory, the renewal of the licence for one year was granted.

Cinematograph Act.—Cambuslang Co-operative Society.

As relative to the Co-operative Hall, Cambuslang, and under reference to the minutes of the sub-committee, of date 18th ultimo, the Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. John G. Dunn, architect, on behalf of the Cambuslang Co-operative Society, together with sketch plan showing additional emergency exit proposed to be provided.

The meeting, having examined the sketch plan, expressed approval of the proposed alteration, and agreed to sanction it, provided that the work was carried out to the satisfaction of Mr. Scott, Engineer.

Letter from Honorary Treasurer of National Institute for the Blind.

A letter from the Honorary Treasurer of the National Institute for the Blind having been read to the meeting, the same was allowed to lie on the table.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Shops Acts and By-Laws Regulating Places for Public Refreshment.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTORS DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1914.

SHOPS ACTS.

During the month inspections were made in 10 localities, and 45 shops, &c., were visited, and 15 contraventions detected (see Table appended). These shops, classified according to trades, are as follows :—

Bakers,	4	Hardware Merchant,	1
Boot and Shoemakers,	2	Hairdressers,	6
Cabinetmaker,	1	Jeweller,	1
Dairykeepers,	3	Licensed Hawker,	1
Drapers,	2	Painter,	1
Fishmongers,	3	Saleroom,	1
Fancy Goods and Toy Dealer,	1	Tailor and Clothier,	1
Fruiterer and Confectioner,	1	Wine and Spirit Merchant,	1
Grocers,	5	Mixed Shops,	10

The following notices required to be exhibited in shops were issued to shopkeepers, viz. :—

Assistants' weekly half-holiday,	1
Shops' weekly half-holiday,	...
Employment of young persons,	2
Mixed shops,	8

Weekly Half-holiday.—Four localities were visited on the weekly half-holiday, and the following contraventions detected, viz. :—

Failure to close.	2
Assistant employed after 1.30 p.m. on weekly half-holiday,	1
Street trading,	2
Failure to exhibit the required notices,	2

One case of failure to close at the prescribed hour on the weekly half-holiday related to a licensed grocer's premises at Carluke, which were found open at 1.40 p.m. The Inspector also observed a customer being served at that hour which involved the additional offence of employing an assistant after 1.30 p.m. As these were the first complaints against the grocer concerned, a verbal warning was given to the manager of the premises, who was in charge at the time of inspection.

The second case of failure to close related to a jeweller's premises also at Carluke, which the Inspector found temporarily opened for a few minutes in the course of the afternoon. A verbal warning was given in this case also.

Closing Order.—Three inspections were made at Cambuslang and Gilbertfield and Bellshill and Mossend, under the General Closing Order and Barbers and Hairdressers' Order, when the following contraventions were detected, viz. :—

5 failures to close in terms of Order.
3 failures to exhibit statutory notices.

Three of the cases of failure to close refer to two shops found open at 10.30 p.m. on Saturday, and the remaining two refer to sales of non-exempted goods from "mixed" shops. The offenders were cautioned that if they were again detected infringing the provisions of the Act, legal proceedings would follow.

Communications.—Three communications were received (1) one from the Secretary of a Merchants' Association, complaining of the sale of non-exempted goods by small "mixed" shops and also of street trading; (2) one (anonymous) about street trading; and (3) one from a small shopkeeper asking for information regarding the provisions of the Act.

These all received attention.

A complaint regarding the shopkeepers (six) at Farme, which is contiguous to the Burgh of Rutherglen, not observing the same weekly half-holiday and closing hours as the shopkeepers of Rutherglen where there is a Closing Order, was received and inquiry made to ascertain if the shopkeepers at Farme would be willing to observe the same weekly half-holiday (Tuesday) and closing hours as Rutherglen. There was a general expression of willingness to do so among the shopkeepers and thus obviate further complaints.

BY-LAWS REGULATING PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

Structural Arrangements.

One inspection was made in connection with the application from an ice-cream vendor for withdrawal of part of his premises from the register. It was found that a small part of the premises including one of the outside doors and a window had been partitioned off as a shop for out-sales when the registered premises were closed. The alteration, however, did not comply with the By-laws in respect that there was a connection by a door between the two shops.

Table showing Inspections to Localities, Visits to Shops, &c., and Contraventions detected.

Localities.	Inspections.	Visits to Shops. &c.	Contraventions.							
			Failure to close: Weekly Half-holiday and under Closing Orders.	Supplying Non-Exempted Goods.	Street trading.	Failure to give Assistants Weekly Half-holiday at 1.30 p.m.	Failure to give proper intervals for Meals.	Failure to provide Seats for Female Assistants.	Employing Young Persons under 18 years more than 74 hours per week.	Failure to exhibit Notices in terms of Acts.
Bellshill, - -	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cambuslang, -	3	7	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	3
Carluke, - -	1	13	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	1
Coalburn, -	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Kilbride, -	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Farme, - -	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gilbertfield, -	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mossend, - -	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Stonehouse, -	1	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Uddingston, -	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total, -	12	45	5	1	2	1	...		..	6

J. T. W.

County Offices,
Hamilton, 14th *April*, 1914.

APPENDIX II.

MINUTE OF COMMITTEE

ON

BY-LAWS REGULATING REGISTERED PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT.

15th April, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 15th April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Committee of Representatives of the County Council of Lanarkshire and of the several Town Councils in the County, on the subject of By-laws Regulating Registered Places for Public Refreshment.

Present—

As representing—

(1) *County Council of Lanark—*
Colonel Buchanan.
Joseph Sullivan.
Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk.

(2) *Burgh of Airdrie—*
Provost Orr.
Bailie M'Gregor.
John J. M'Murdo, Interim Town-Clerk.

(3) *Burgh of Biggar—*
Provost Hope.

(4) *Burgh of Coatbridge—*
Provost Thomas Davie.
Bailie Samuel Lindsay.
John Alston, Town-Clerk.

(5) *Burgh of Hamilton—*
Ex-Provost Keith.
Dean of Guild Anderson.
P. M. Kirkpatrick, Town-Clerk.

(6) *Burgh of Lanark—*
Provost Paton.
James Annan, Town-Clerk.

(7) *Burgh of Motherwell—*
Councillor Frood.
James Burns, Town-Clerk.

(8) *Burgh of Rutherglen—*
Councillor David Hardie.
George Gray, Town-Clerk.

(9) *Burgh of Wishaw—*
A. G. Stewart, Town-Clerk.

Chairman.

In the absence of Colonel Buchanan at the commencement of proceedings, ex-Provost Keith (Hamilton) was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th March, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, and the same were approved of and signed.

Remit to Clerks of several Local Authorities.—Suggested new forms of Bye-laws adjusted.

The Clerk stated that, under the remit made to them, the Clerks of the several Local Authorities had held a meeting in Glasgow, on 25th ultimo, and had adjusted suggested new forms of By-laws (Appendices I. and II.) for:—(1) the County, and (2) the Burghs, and he stated that prints of these had been sent to each member of the committee.

Proposed new By-laws considered.—Committee's recommendations.

The meeting, having gone over the proposed new By-laws *seriatim*, agreed as follows, viz.:—

(1) Approved of.

(2) Approved of generally, subject to deletion of the words "or side-room." (The meeting recognised that in some cases the Local Authorities might find it advisable to modify or alter the conditions stated in this By-law in order to meet local circumstances.)

(3) Approved of.

(4) Approved of.

(5) Approved of generally. (It was agreed that, in the case of the burghs, this By-law might be unnecessary, in view of the fact that the Town Councils were empowered, under the Burgh Police (Scotland) Acts, to deal with billiard-rooms.)

(6) Approved of.

(7) Approved of.

Letter from Town-Clerk of Lanark offering suggestions for consideration of Committee.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter, of date 14th current, from the Town-Clerk of Lanark, of which the following is an excerpt, viz.:—

"Might I now suggest, if I am unable to be present, for the "consideration of the meeting to-morrow, the advisability of the "advertisements, which are necessary for the Burgh Bye-laws, prior "to their confirmation by the Sheriff should be made on the same "date by all the burghs, and that the petition for confirmation "should be lodged with the Sheriff of the County to be disposed of "by him all at the same time, and after they have been confirmed "that all the Bye-laws as confirmed, and also the Bye-laws to be "framed by the County Council, should go together to the Secretary "for Scotland. This would, to a large extent, ensure that the Bye-"laws would come into force at the same time, of course always "keeping in view that the Burgh Bye-laws, by force of statute, "would not come into operation until a somewhat later date than "the County Bye-laws."

Meeting approve.

The meeting approved of Mr. Annan's suggestions.

Position of Burgh of Rutherglen.

Mr. Gray, Town-Clerk of Rutherglen, stated that, as indicated at last meeting of the committee, his Town Council might not be disposed so soon to alter their present By-laws.

Statement on behalf of Burgh of Biggar

Provost Hope, Biggar, stated that he had brought the recommendations contained in the minutes of the last meeting of the committee before a recent meeting of his Town Council, when they decided that they could not see their way to concur in the proposals therein set forth.

By-laws, as proposed, agreed to.

Subject to the statements made on behalf of the Burghs of Rutherglen and Biggar the meeting agreed to recommend the Local Authorities to adopt the new form of By-laws, as contained in the appendices to this minute, provided that the traders are prepared to accept them as a compromise, and to loyally co-operate with the Local Authorities in putting an end to the unsatisfactory state of matters resulting from the splitting up of premises.

Prints of suggested By-laws to be transmitted to agents acting for traders.

The Clerk was authorised to transmit to the agents acting for the traders copies of the proposed new By-laws, with a request that he should be informed as to their clients' views in the matter, and it was remitted to Colonel Buchanan and ex-Provost Keith, along with the County Clerk, to meet again with representatives of the traders should such a meeting be considered necessary.

Local Authorities to be informed of views of traders.

The Clerk undertook to inform each of the Burgh Local Authorities of the result of his communication with the traders.

APPENDIX I.

SUGGESTED NEW FORM OF BY-LAWS FOR THE COUNTY.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) ACTS, 1892 to 1911.

BY-LAWS

FOR

REGULATING THE HOURS OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT, &c.

WE, the County Council of the County of Lanark, at a Special General Meeting of the said County Council held at upon *the* Nineteen hundred and fourteen, there being present at least two-thirds of the whole number of the Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon the County Council under and in virtue of Section 97 and Section 82, Sub-section 2, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, and Section 57 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1889, do hereby make the following By-laws, namely :—

1. A person registered in terms of Section 82 (1) of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, to keep or use any house, building, part of a building, or other premises, as a place for public refreshment, shall not keep such premises open or suffer them to be kept open—
   (*a*) On Sundays, before one o'clock p.m., nor later than eight o'clock p.m.
   (*b*) On Saturdays, before seven o'clock a.m., nor later than eleven o'clock p.m.
   (*c*) On other days of the week, before seven o'clock a.m., nor later than half-past ten o'clock p.m.
2. There shall not be in any registered premises any compartment* (. . .) having any partition, side, division, screen, or curtain more than three feet six inches in height above the level of the floor.
3. No sitting-room in any registered premises shall have any snib or bolt or any other contrivance on the door enabling the occupant to close the door of such sitting-room in such a way as to prevent the door being opened from the outside thereof, and the upper panels of the door shall be of clear glass.
4. No registered premises shall have any direct or indirect means of internal communication or connection with any unregistered
5. No registered premises shall have any direct or indirect means of internal communication or connection with any public billiard room save in such cases and during such time as such communication or connection may be specially authorised in writing by the County Council.
6. All registered premises shall be adequately lighted throughout to the satisfaction of the County Council or the inspector or officer appointed by them for the purpose.

EXTENT OF BY-LAWS.

7. These By-laws shall have effect, and be in force in the whole County of Lanark, excluding the Royal, Parliamentary, and Police Burghs therein.

PENALTY.

8. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing By-laws shall be liable in a penalty not exceeding FIVE POUNDS for each offence.

The By-laws made by the County Council of the County of Lanark on the *Seventh day of June*, Nineteen hundred and twelve, are hereby repealed as from and after the date when the above By-laws shall come into operation.

* Deleted by instructions of Committee at meeting held 15th April, 1914.

County Clerk.

COUNTY OFFICES,
HAMILTON, 1914.

APPENDIX II.

SUGGESTED NEW FORM OF BY-LAWS FOR THE BURGH.

BURGH OF .....

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) ACTS, 1892 to 1911.

BY-LAWS

FOR

REGULATING THE HOURS OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF PLACES FOR PUBLIC REFRESHMENT, &c.

We, the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the Burgh of , in virtue of the powers conferred upon them by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Acts, 1892 to 1911, and particularly Section 82 (2) of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, and Section 1 (2) of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, and Sections 316 and 317 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, and of other powers, do hereby make and enact the following By-laws, namely:—

1. A person registered in terms of Section 82 (1) of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1903, as amended by the Burgh Police (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1911, to keep or use any house, building, part of a building, or other premises, as a place for public refreshment, shall not keep such premises open or suffer them to be kept open—
   (*a*) On Sundays, before one o'clock p.m., nor later than eight o'clock p.m.
   (*b*) On Saturdays, before seven o'clock a.m., nor later than eleven o'clock p.m.
   (*c*) On other days of the week, before seven o'clock a.m., nor later than half-past ten o'clock p.m.

2. There shall not be in any registered premises any compartment * (. . .) having any partition, side, division, screen, or curtain more than three feet six inches in height above the level of the floor.

* Deleted by instructions of Committee at meeting held 15th April, 1914.

3. No sitting-room in any registered premises shall have any snib or bolt or any other contrivance on the door enabling the occupant to close the door of such sitting-room in such a way as to prevent the door being opened from the outside thereof, and the upper panels of the door shall be of clear glass.

4. No registered premises shall have any direct or indirect means of internal communication or connection with any unregistered premises used for the sale to or for consumption by the public of provisions or refreshments of any kind.

5. No registered premises shall have any direct or indirect means of internal communication or connection with any public billiard room save in such cases and during such time as such communication or connection may be specially authorised in writing by the County Council.

6. All registered premises shall be adequately lighted throughout to the satisfaction of the County Council or the inspector or officer appointed by them for the purpose.

PENALTY.

7. Every person who shall commit a breach of any of the foregoing By-laws shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding FORTY SHILLINGS for each breach, provided always that the Magistrate, or other Court, before whom the penalty hereby imposed is sought to be recovered may order the whole or part only of such penalty to be paid, or may remit the whole penalty.

The By-laws made by the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the Burgh of on are hereby repealed as from and after the date when the above By-laws shall come into operation.

Made and enacted by the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the Burgh of , this day of , Nineteen hundred and fourteen.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 28th January, 1914, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark. — 28th January, 1914.

Present—

Thomas Arnot.	Robert Lambie.
John A. Beattie.	Colonel Logan.
A. H. J. Briggs.	William Love.
Colonel Buchanan.	James Prentice.
John Campbell.	Gavin A. Shanks.
W. W. Chapman.	William Sym.
William Davie.	William Templeton.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	James Tonner.

Attending—

Andrew Mitchell, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Appointment of Chairman. Quorum fixed.

On the motion of Mr. Arnot, seconded by Mr. Lambie, Mr. Tonner was unanimously appointed chairman of the committee, and the quorum of the committee was fixed at three.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 26th November, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Report by Chief Inspector.

There was submitted to the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector. (Appendix.)

Inspector's salaries, &c.

The meeting having gone over the list of Inspectors' salaries to 15th February, the Inspectors' Assistants' wages to 10th January, and the Inspectors' expenses to 15th January, as set forth in Appendix III. to the report of the Chief Inspector, the same were passed for payment.

Weights and Measures office at Cambuslang.—Lease of premises.

With reference to the question of an office at Cambuslang, the meeting agreed to take a lease of the premises referred to in the Chief Inspector's report, for a period of ten years, with a break in the option of the County Council at the expiry of five years, and also on condition that certain alterations which were required should be carried out by the proprietor, the rent being as stated, viz., £27 per annum.

New standards of the metric carat.—Estimates.

The meeting, having considered the estimates for the supply of the new standards referred to in the Inspector's report, and having heard the opinion of the Chief Inspector in the matter, authorised him to accept the offer of Messrs. W. & T. Avery, Ltd., amounting to £3 5s.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street,
Wishaw, 17*th January*, 1914.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the months of November and December (Appendices I. and II.).

I also submit a statement (Appendix III.) of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses.

Following upon the resolution of the committee, arrived at, at their meeting on 22nd October last, I made inquiries with a view to obtaining suitable premises for an office at Cambuslang. As a result of these inquiries I inspected several premises, but, with one exception, they did not, in my opinion, provide sufficient accommodation to meet the requirements. The only suitable premises inspected which seem available are those situated in Hamilton Road, near the terminus of the Lanarkshire Tramways. The premises consist of two apartments, one to the front and one to the back. According to the regulations of the Board of Trade it is necessary that the floorage should be at least 500 square feet, and the floorage of these premises approximate to this. The rent asked for the premises is £27, and the proprietor is anxious that the matter should be definitely settled as early as possible, as he has other inquiries for the premises.

By an Order in Council, made pursuant to Section 8 of the Weights and Measures Act, 1878, and dated the 14th October, new denominations of Board of Trade Standards of the metric carat of 500 carat to 0·005 metric carat have been legalised for use in trade on and after 1st April next.

I submit estimates from two firms of cost per set, viz., £3 and £3 5s. respectively.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 30TH NOVEMBER, 1913.

VERIFICATION WORK.

DISTRICT.	Number of Weights, &c., Submitted.	CORRECT.			STAMPED.			ADJUSTED.		REJECTED.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2, ...	935	53	62	3	735	18	57	735	18	2	2	3
„ 3, ...	831	16	—	4	790	48	18	790	4	1	—	2
„ 4, ...	53	—	—	—	—	3	44	—	—	—	—	6
	1,819	69	62	7	1,525	69	119	1,525	22	3	2	11

OUTDOOR INSPECTION.

DISTRICT.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	CORRECT.			INCORRECT.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
„ 3, ...	*2	3	—	—	3	—	—	—
„ 4, ...	*20	26	—	—	21	—	—	5
	22	29	—	—	24	—	—	5

* Visits to Collieries.

FEES.

DISTRICT.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 2, ...	£4 19 7½	£5 13 11½	£10 13 7
„ 3, ...	5 0 9	5 17 9	10 18 6
„ 4, ...	14 8 3	—	14 8 3
Total,	£24 8 7½	£11 11 8½	£ 36 0 4

28th January, 1914.

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APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1913.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No 2,	1,722	150	75	16	1,410	22	26	1,410	22	9	6	8
„ 3,	489	23	6	4	405	37	12	405	—	2	—	—
„ 4,	12	--	—	—	—	—	11	—	—	—	—	1
	2,223	173	81	20	1,815	59	49	1,815	22	11	6	9

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 3,	123	2,721	1,382	1,134	196	3	—	6
„ 4,	732	12,248	6,682	4,278	1,217	23	6	42
	855	14,969	8,064	5,412	1,413	26	6	48

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 2,	8	11	11½	11	0	1	19	12	0½
„ 3,	4	1	0	3	6	8½	7	7	8½
„ 4,	4	4	9		—		4	4	9
	16	17	8½	14	6	9½	31	4	6

REPORTED FOR PROSECUTION.

Annie M'Gonigle or Kane, grocer, Rutherglen, defective scale beam to the extent of 17 drams—Fined 10/- or 7 days.

James Sherry, grocer, Workmen's Home, Shotts, defective scale beam to the extent of 4 drams—Case pending.

BURGH POLICE (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1892.

No. 3 District.—Articles made up for sale Weighed or Measured in 20 Shops.
No. 4 Do. do. do. do. 36 do.

28th January, 1914.

APPENDIX III.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors Salaries to 15th February.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13	6	8
Inspector Paterson, ...	12	1	8
			£40 8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 10th January.

Chief Inspector, ...	£5	12	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	8	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	4	0
			£17 4 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th January.

Chief Inspector, ...	£8	4	6
Inspector Chrystal, ...	3	17	5
Inspector Paterson, ...	2	11	3
			£14 13 2

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

25th February, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 25th February, 1914, being a meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

Thomas Arnot.	Robert Lambie.
John A. Beattie.	William Love.
A. H. J. Briggs.	James Prentice.
John Campbell.	William Sym.
Rev. George Goodfellow.	William Templeton.

James Tonner.

Attending—

Andrew Mitchell, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Chairman. Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 28th January, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Report by Chief Inspector. There was submitted to the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector (Appendix).

Inspectors' salaries, &c. The meeting having gone over the list of Inspectors' salaries to 15th March, the Inspectors' Assistants' wages to 14th February, and the Inspectors' expenses to 15th February, as set forth in Appendix II. to the report of the Chief Inspector, the same were passed for payment.

Outdoor inspection scale beams.—Reverification. The meeting approved of the proposal of the Chief Inspector to forward the outdoor inspection scale beams to the Board of Trade for reverification.

Weights and Measures Office at Cambuslang.—Alterations on premises. With reference to the Weights and Measures Office at Cambuslang, the Clerk reported that arrangements had been come to with the proprietor for the carrying out of certain alterations, including the following, with a view to making the premises more suitable for the purpose of an office, viz.:—

(1) The erection of a wind screen to the height of 7 feet;

(2) The partitioning off of a portion of the front room to form a private room, the partition to be from floor to ceiling with a view to avoiding, as far as possible, dust and draught from the door;

(3) The erection of a small public counter, fitted with hinges to lift;

(4) The woodwork to be varnished or painted;

(5) The electric switch-board to be shifted to a more suitable position.

Residence of Chief Inspector. The Chief Inspector having stated that he had been unable to find a suitable dwelling-house at Cambuslang, the meeting agreed that it would be sufficient if his residence were situated within easy reach of his office.

Question of supplying railway season ticket to Chief Inspector. It was remitted to the Clerk to consider the question as to whether it might not be expedient, from the point of view of economy or convenience, that the Chief Inspector should be supplied with a railway season ticket over that part of the County.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street,
Wishaw, 17th February, 1914.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit a summary of the reports of the inspectors for the month of January (Appendix I.) *Summary of inspectors' reports.*

I also submit a statement (Appendix II.) of the salaries of the inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and of expenses. *Statement of inspectors' salaries, &c.*

I have to report having received back from the Board of Trade (Standards Department) the three sets of glass pipettes which were recently forwarded to the Board for reverification. *Glass pipettes reverification.*

The outdoor inspection scale beams, consisting of 6 sets, are now due for reverification, and I propose to forward these to the Board, through Messrs. De Grave, Short, & Co., to have them reverified. *Outdoor inspection scale beams. — Proposed reverification.*

With regard to the office at Cambuslang, I have, since last meeting, again seen Mr. Christie, the proprietor, and have arranged with him for certain alterations being carried out at his expense, so as to make the premises more suitable for the purpose of an office. *Weights and Measures Office at Cambuslang.*

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Inspector.

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APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st JANUARY, 1914.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	1,852	165	69	34	1,538	10	16	1,538	9	,8	6	6
„ 3,	831	15	10	13	727	21	38	727	2	3	1	3
„ 4,	1,127	50	48	15	956	28	13	956	25	7	5	5
Total,	3,810	230	127	62	3,221	59	67	3,221	36	18	12	14

Fees.

District.	Stamping.			Adjusting.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
No. 2,	10	16	10½	13	4	8½	24	1	7
„ 3,	4	8	6	5	12	5	10	0	11
„ 4,	7	17	0½	7	12	9½	15	9	10
Total,	23	2	5	26	9	11	49	12	4

REPORTED FOR PROSECUTION.

Case Pending at Date of Last Report.

James Sherry, Grocer, Workmen's Home, Shotts.

Defective Scale Beam, to the extent of 4 Drams.

Fined £2 10s. or 20 days.

APPENDIX II.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th March.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13	6	8
Inspector Paterson, ...	12	1	8
		£40	8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 14th February.

Chief Inspector, ...	£7	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	8	0	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	6	10	0
		21	10 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th February.

Chief Inspector, ...	£3	0	9
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	13	5
Inspector Paterson, ...	9	19	8
		19	13 10

De Grave, Short & Co., Limited.—

Cleaning, &c., and obtaining reverification by Board of Trade. Three sets glass pipettes, 1 fluid ounce to 10 minims, and supplying new 2 fluid drams and postage,	£1	6	6
		1	6 6

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

25th March, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 25th March, 1914, being a meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
Colonel BUCHANAN.	WILLIAM LOVE.
JAMES CAMERON.	JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.	WILLIAM SYM.
Rev. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.	WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

JAMES TONNER.

Attending—

ANDREW MITCHELL, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

irman. Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 25th February, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Report by Chief Inspector. There was submitted to the meeting a report by the Chief Inspector (Appendix).

Inspectors' salaries, &c. The meeting having gone over the list of Inspectors' salaries to 15th April, the Inspectors' Assistants' wages to 14th March, and the Inspectors' expenses to 15th March, as set forth in Appendix II. to the report of the Chief Inspector, the same were passed for payment.

Request by traders in Lenzie district.—Matter continued. With reference to the request made by traders in the Lenzie district to have their weights and measures and weighing instruments verified at Lenzie, instead of at Bishopbriggs, the meeting agreed to continue the matter for further consideration.

Verification of weights and measures, &c., at Stepps.—Complaint. The Chief Inspector was instructed to make inquiry into and report on an allegation which had been made, that on the occasion of a recent visit to Stepps by the Inspector, for the purpose of verifying weights and measures and weighing instruments, farmers in the district had not been notified of the proposed visit.

Contraventions of Section 430 of Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.—Statement by Clerk. With regard to the cases reported by the Inspector for No. 2 District, where it was alleged that certain made-up parcels of goods were found to be short in weight, in contravention of Section 430 of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, the Clerk reminded the meeting of the difficulty that had been experienced in enforcing the provisions of the section referred to, in view of decisions which were given in the High Court of Justiciary in the cases of Soutter *v.* Masterson and Coia, on 25th June, 1912, the effect of which he explained.

No proceedings to be instituted. The meeting agreed that, having regard to the decisions in the cases mentioned by the Clerk, it would be futile to institute proceedings in any of the cases reported.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street, Wishaw, 16*th March*, 1914.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of February (Appendix I.). *Summary of Inspectors' reports.*

I also submit a statement (Appendix II.) of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their assistants, and of expenses. *Statement of salaries of inspectors, &c.*

I am to inform the committee that representations by traders in the Lenzie district have been made to me through Inspector Paterson as to the advisability of having their weights, measures, and weighing instruments verified at Lenzie instead of at Bishopbriggs. *Request by traders in Lenzie district to have weights, &c., verified at Lenzie.*

For the information of the committee I may state that Lenzie is situated about 2½ miles distant from Bishopbriggs, which is presently the centre for verifying weights, &c., for a considerable portion of Cadder Parish, including Lenzie. There are, in Lenzie district, 28 traders, comprising 9 shops, 1 public work, and 18 farms, the amount taken in fees on the occasion of the last verification being £2 7s. 10d.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

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APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 28TH FEBRUARY, 1914.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	308	20	5	3	264	5	9	260	5	1	—	1
„ 3,	1,100	47	21	15	974	18	12	974	—	9	2	2
„ 4,	1,273	60	21	29	1,113	18	16	1,113	16	7	2	7
	2,681	127	47	47	2,351	41	37	2,347	21	17	4	10

Outdoor Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights, &c., Examined.	Correct.			Incorrect.		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	585	10,183	6,198	2,610	1,018	160	86	111
„ 3,	117	2,434	1,190	1,064	174	5	—	1
	702	12,617	7,388	3,674	1,192	165	86	112

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
No. 2, ...	£4 15 2	£2 4 2½	£6 19 4½
„ 3, ...	4 18 7½	7 2 3	12 0 10½
„ 4, ...	9 15 0½	9 5 2½	19 0 3
	£19 8 10	£18 11 8	£38 0 6

Burgh Police Scotland Act, 1892.

No. 2 District.—Made up parcels were weighed or measured in 79 shops.

„ 3 „ „ „ „ 30 „

The Inspector for No. 2 District reports that in 3 of the 79 shops he found parcels of goods made up to be deficient in the weight or measure represented, and that the attention of those in charge had been called to the fact.

25th March, 1914.

APPENDIX II.

STATEMENT OF THE SALARIES OF THE INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th April.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15	0	0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13	6	8	
Inspector Paterson, ...	12	1	8	
				£40 8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 14th March.

Chief Inspector, ...	£5	12	0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	8	0	
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	4	0	
				£17 4 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th March.

Chief Inspector, ...	£6	10	0	
Inspector Chrystal, ...	1	12	10	
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	8	10	
				£13 11 8

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES COMMITTEE.

22nd April, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Weights and Measures Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

Present—

JOHN A. BEATTIE.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
Colonel BUCHANAN.	WILLIAM LOVE.
JOHN CAMPBELL.	JAMES PRENTICE.
WILLIAM DAVIE.	GAVIN A. SHANKS.
Rev. GEORGE GOODFELLOW.	WILLIAM SYM.

WILLIAM TEMPLETON.

Attending—

ANDREW MITCHELL, Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Chairman. In the absence of Mr. Tonner, chairman of the committee, Colonel Buchanan was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 25th March, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Report by Chief Inspector. There was submitted to the meeting a Report by the Chief Inspector (Appendix).

Inspectors' Salaries, &c. The meeting having gone over the List of Inspectors' Salaries to 15th May, the Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 14th April, and the Inspectors' Expenses to 15th April, as set forth in Appendix II. to the Report of the Chief Inspector, the same were passed for payment.

Draft Annual Report by Chief Inspector. The Clerk laid before the meeting the draft Annual Report by the Chief Inspector to be laid before the May statutory meeting of the County Council, and stated that copies would shortly be forwarded to each member of the Council.

Annual General Meeting of Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures. The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Incorporated Society of Inspectors of Weights and Measures, of date 6th April, 1914, inviting this Local Authority to appoint delegates to attend the Annual General Meeting, to be held in London on 11th to 13th June next.

Letter from Secretary for Scotland on question of payment of expenses of members attending Conferences. As relative to the appointment of delegates, the Clerk submitted and read to the meeting a letter which he had received from the Secretary for Scotland on the question of the payment of the expenses of members attending such conferences. A copy of the letter is incorporated in the minutes of the Public Health Committee of this date.

Delegate appointed. The meeting, after consideration, appointed Mr. Mitchell, the Chief Inspector, to attend the meeting as the delegate of this Local Authority, and instructed the Clerk to make application to the Secretary for Scotland for his approval to the payment of the expenses being met out of the Equivalent Grant as a scheme of public utility.

Short Weight. — Letter from Town-Clerk of Glasgow.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow on the subject of short weight, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"City Chambers,
"Glasgow, 7th April, 1914.

"Sir Thomas Munro,
"County Clerk,
"Hamilton.

"Dear Sir Thomas,

"SHORT WEIGHT.

"I am in receipt of your letter of 4th instant, and have arranged to call a meeting of the Executive Committee (of which County Councillor Tonner is a member), to be held in the Westminster Palace Hotel, London, on Wednesday, 15th instant, for the purpose of discussing procedure and what evidence should be led before the Select Committee. The Easter holidays in England prevent an earlier meeting of the Executive Committee being held.

"I am informed that there is no likelihood of evidence from Local Authorities and others being wanted before the 21st instant. The committee will probably take official evidence on Wednesday, 15th instant, and the members of the Executive Committee who attend the meeting in London may have an opportunity of being present at the sitting of the Select Committee, and hearing what is the attitude of the Government Departments towards this question.

"I am sending Councillor Tonner a formal intimation of the meeting, and trust he will find it convenient to be present.

"I am,
"Yours faithfully,

"J. LINDSAY.

"*P.S.*—If you deem it expedient, the Inspector of Weights and Measures may, as was arranged at the conference, accompany Mr. Tonner to the meeting.

"J. L."

The Clerk stated that as it was considered advisable that the Chief Inspector should accompany Mr. Tonner, Mr. Mitchell had also attended the meeting. The meeting approved.

Further commmunication from Town-Clerk of Glasgow transmitting minutes of Executive Committee of Local Authorities.

The Clerk also submitted a further communication from the Town-Clerk of Glasgow, transmitting copy of the minute of meeting of the Executive Committee of Local Authorities, held at London on 15th current, containing the following resolution, viz.:—"After discussion, it was agreed that intimation of the proceedings of this committee should be sent to the various Local Authorities interested, and that a number of the Local Authorities should be asked to prepare evidence, with a view to the same being submitted to the Select Committee."

In accordance with the suggestion contained in the foregoing resolution, the Clerk stated that he had written to the Clerk to the Select Committee on Short Weight, stating that this Local Auhority would be prepared to give evidence, and inquiring on what date the committee would be willing to hear it.

Agreed that Mr. Tonner should give evidence before Select Committee.

The meeting approved, and agreed that Mr. Tonner, the chairman of the committee, should give evidence on behalf of the Local Authority, and that, if necessary, the Clerk should also appear before the committee.

APPENDIX.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

Weights and Measures Office,
47 Hill Street,
Wishaw, 17th April, 1914.

To the Chairman and Members of the Weights and Measures Committee.

Gentlemen,

I submit summary of the reports of the Inspectors for the month of March (Appendix I.).

I also submit a statement (Appendix II.) of the salaries of the Inspectors, the wages of their Assistants, and of expenses.

I have to report having received the new metric carat weights from the Standards Department, Board of Trade.

With reference to the remit made to me at last meeting in regard to the request by traders in the Lenzie district to have their weights, measures, and weighing instruments verified at Lenzie instead of at Bishopbriggs, I have not yet had an opportunity of personally visiting the district, but I hope to do so shortly, and thereafter report to the committee.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ANDREW MITCHELL,
Chief Inspector.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.

SUMMARY OF INSPECTORS' REPORTS FOR MONTH ENDING 31st MARCH, 1914.

Verification Work.

District.	Number of Weights, &c., submitted.	Correct.			Stamped.			Adjusted.		Rejected.		
		Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	827	45	45	11	673	16	15	673	16	15	2	5
No 3,	719	30	35	21	588	15	15	588	7	8	3	4
No. 4,	781	74	12	15	641	10	8	641	8	15	3	3
	2,327	149	92	47	1,902	41	38	1,902	31	38	8	12

Out-Door Inspection.

District.	Number of Visits.	Number of Weights &c., examined.	Correct.			Incorrect		
			Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.	Weights.	Measures.	Weighing Instruments.
No. 2,	307	4,567	3,274	724	479	36	19	35
,, 3,	488	10,845	5,853	4,148	731	54	26	33
,, 4,	305	5,130	3,121	1,431	525	20	7	26
	1,100	20,542	12,248	6,303	1,735	110	52	94

Fees.

District.	Stamping.	Adjusting.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
No. 2,	6 7 1	5 11 3	11 18 4
,, 3,	4 8 3	4 9 4	8 17 7
,, 4,	5 18 7	5 15 6½	11 14 1½
Received from Royal Burgh of Lanark,			10 0 0
	16 13 11	15 16 1½	42 10 0½

Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

No. 2 District.—Made up parcels were weighed or measured in 36 shops.
,, 3 ,, ,, ,, ,, 54 ,,
,, 4 ,, ,, ,, ,, 30 ,,

22nd April, 1914.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

STATEMENT OF SALARIES OF INSPECTORS, WAGES OF ASSISTANTS, AND OF EXPENSES.

Inspectors' Salaries to 15th May.

Chief Inspector, ...	£15	0	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	13	6	8
Inspector Paterson, ...	12	1	8
			£40 8 4

Inspectors' Assistants' Wages to 14th April.

Chief Inspector, ...	5	12	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	6	8	0
Inspector Paterson, ...	5	4	0
			£17 4 0

Inspectors' Expenses to 15th April.

Chief Inspector, ...	£8	14	0
Inspector Chrystal, ...	4	9	6
Inspector Paterson, ...	4	1	0
			£17 4 6

Carting Standard Weights, Testing Weighing Machines at Pits, &c.

Gilchrist Brothers, Wishaw, ...	3	3	0
Kerr Brothers, Motherwell, ...	3	3	0
			£6 6 0

Messrs. W. & T. Avery, Ltd., Glasgow, Local Standard Metric Carat Weights—500 Metric Carats down to ·005	£3 5 0
Total, ...	£84 7 10

Rents of Offices due for payment, 14th May, 1914.

Office—47 Hill Street, Wishaw, ...	£11 0 0
Proprietor—Robert Wardrop, Kirkbrae, Cambusnethan, Wishaw.	
Office—31 Melville Drive, Motherwell, ...	9 0 0
Factor—William Miller, Solicitor, Motherwell.	
Office—6 Alexander Street, Airdrie, ...	8 0 0
Proprietor—Wm. Brown, Lizzieville, Rawyards, Airdrie.	
Total, ...	£28 0 0

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 28th January, 1914, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destructor Works at Cambuslang. — 28th January 1914.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
Owen Coyle.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel King Stewart.
William Walker.

Attending—

W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
D. M. Eunson, Resident Engineer.

On the motion of Colonel Buchanan, Mr. Love was unanimously appointed irman of the committee, and the quorum was fixed at three. — *Appointment of Chairman.—Quorum fixed.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice ing the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the joint-committee, of date 26th ember, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County ncil, were laid before the meeting and signed. — *Minute of last meeting.*

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Resident Engineer pendix I.) with reference to a proposed new feeder cable extension and on pillar arrangement. — *Report by Resident Engineer regarding proposed new feeder cable extension, &c.*

The meeting, having discussed the necessity for the laying down of a feeder cable from Croft Road section pillar to Gateside, as proposed by Resident Engineer, and having obtained information as to the probable nue which might be expected as a result of laying the cable, agreed to y the matter for further consideration. — *Laying down of new feeder cable from Croft Road section pillar to Gateside.*

The meeting, after consideration, authorised the Resident Engineer to 7 out the alteration in connection with the Main Street No. II. section r, at a cost of £71. — *Main Street No. II. section pillar.*

The question of refitting the old pillars with new panels was meantime nued. — *Refitting old pillars with new panels.*

Report by Resident Engineer regarding revision of Tariffs for supply of electric energy.

There was submitted a further report by the Resident Engineer (Appendix II.) on the question of the revision of the tariffs for the supply of electric energy.

The meeting, after discussion, remitted to the Clerk to consult with the Resident Engineer in connection with the whole matter, and to report to a future meeting.

Cable fault in Halfway distributor.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Resident Engineer, of date 17th January, reporting that a severe cable fault had developed in the Halfway distributor on 4th instant, but that the matter had since been put right.

Balance of account of Messrs. Babcock & Wilcox, Ltd., for work in connection with laying down of new boiler piping, &c.

The Clerk laid before the meeting letters from Mr. J. M. M. Murr enclosing a statement of the balance of the account of Messrs. Babcock & Wilcox Ltd., for their work in connection with the laying down of the new boiler piping, &c., which brought out a sum remaining to be paid to them of £138 9s. 6d., after allowing for certain deductions which Messrs. Babcock & Wilcox had agreed to make towards the cost of altering the flue, &c.

The Clerk stated that the account included an item of £14 6s. in respect of interest charged at the rate of 5 per cent. from delivery of boiler as from 1st January, 1912.

The meeting, after consideration, authorised the Clerk to make payment of the account, subject to adjustment after looking into the terms of the contract as regards payment of interest.

Application by cable jointer for an increase of wages.

The meeting, having considered an application by the cable jointer for an increase of wages, which at present were 37s. per week, did not see the way to grant it.

Works Record

There was laid before the meeting the Works Record (Appendix III.) for the period from 15th November, 1913, to 10th January, 1914.

Report by Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd., regarding boilers.

There was laid before the meeting a report by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Ltd., regarding boilers Nos. 1 and 2, which were stated to be in order.

Proposed introduction into Parliament of Electric Lighting Bill.—Communication from Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a communication from the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association, of date 16th instant, directing the attention of the committee to the proposed introduction into Parliament of the Electric Lighting Bill, which had for its object the conferring of powers upon Local Authorities to deal themselves with the supply of electric fittings, and requesting the committee to ask the Members of Parliament for the County to ballot for a place for the Bill.

The meeting, after consideration, instructed the Clerk to communicate with the several Members of Parliament for the County informing them that the object of the Bill had the general support of the County Council.

APPENDIX I.

Electricity and Destructor Works,
Bothwell Street,
Cambuslang, N.B., 30th December, 1913.

FEEDER CABLE EXTENSION—SECTION PILLAR ARRANGEMENT.

Dear Sir,

Owing to the increasing demand in the Halfway District, it is necessary that a feeder extension should be laid from Croft Road Section Pillar to Gateside, and at the same time a new section pillar should be fitted in at Gateside. At Croft Road Pillar disconnecting gear should be fitted to panels, to take the feeder extension. The cost of this work will be as under:—

670 yards triple concentric feeder cable, and laying,	£350	0	0
Section Pillar	35	0	0
Jointer work, joint boxes, and sundries, ...	10	0	0
Total, ...	£395	0	0

With regard to the Main Street No. II. Section Pillar at present in use, this Pillar is a source of great danger to the whole mains system, as it has not been designed to take spare cable ways apart from the original lay-out. Again, the present cables which traverse it have been linked in two, and in some cases more than this number, per connection, with the result that all cable tails passing up through pillar from underground to the live 'bus-bars are packed together so that one cannot even pass a finger between them to get at connection-nuts and sockets. This pillar should be taken out early this summer, and a suitable one erected. The cost of this work would be:—

Section pillar, ...	£65	0	0
Jointer work, including all work disconnecting old and re-connecting new pillar, ...	6	0	0
	£71	0	0

The old pillars to be refitted with new panels, and arranged for mounting at new feeding and disconnecting points which will become necessary at a future date. The cost of re-fitting these, I estimate, will be £25.

I beg to report that the new water-tube boiler has been working daily since 1st November. There have been no signs of secondary combustion, either in the Babcock flue or in any of the other flues since the noted date. The boiler has been steamed under all possible conditions of load and flue setting.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

D. M. EUNSON.

APPENDIX II.

Electricity and Destructor Works,
Bothwell Street,
Cambuslang, N.B., 30th December, 1913.

TARIFFS FOR ELECTRICAL ENERGY.

Dear Sir,

A large number of consumers have lately approached me on the above question, particularly since the advent on the market of better-designed and cheaper small-power utensils. In the residential district, chiefly, there is a large field, on a supply such as ours, for an extended use of these appliances, provided that "stifling" of this demand, such as is inherent to our flat-rate system of tariff, is removed. It is my intention, in this report, to deal briefly with the limitations of our flat-rate system, and to bring before the notice of the gentlemen of committee what steps other authorities are taking, in their tariffs, to clear the way for equitable and progressive schemes in fostering the "other uses" of electrical energy; also, to formulate a possible tariff for "other uses" and the supply generally, to suit local conditions.

The cost of supplying a residential consumer with electricity is composed of two parts:—

I. "Standing lost," or the cost of being "ready to supply" him, made up of capital charges, the greater part of management costs, a small portion of repairs, wages, coal, &c., and all charges which depend upon the maximum power he requires at any one time.

II. "Running Costs," made up of a small proportion of management expenses, and the greater portion of repairs, coal, wages, oil stores, &c., and all costs which vary in proportion to the numbers of hours per annum he uses power or energy.

Residence Consumer—Characteristics of Tariff.

No tariff can be taken as theoretically sound which does not differentiate between these two sets of variable costs, and which does not charge the consumer separately as to his standing costs and as to his running costs.

(*a*) A proper return should be ensured from each consumer upon the total cost of supplying him, this cost being made up of standing and running charges, and the ideal tariff must take into account variables of each, and not assume them constant for all consumers.

(*b*) It should be as simple as possible, and capable of easy explanation to the consumer.

(*c*) The use of more than one meter and one system of wiring should be made unnecessary, however varied the application of electricity, and it should hold out special advantages and facilities to consumers to make the freest possible use of the service, for all the purposes to which it may be adapted. It should also encourage the long-hour use of electricity for lighting.

Flat Rate per Unit System of Charging.

This system, as operated in Cambuslang, enables each consumer to use, through a lighting meter, as few or as many units as he desires, and if he requires energy for any other use than lighting, a second meter, on request, is installed. For the first, or lighting supply, 4d. per unit is charged; for the second, or power supply, 2d. per unit is charged. All units are sold on this inflexible system, and it may be noted that no account is taken of the consumers' maximum demand. No rebates or discounts are in vogue. It will readily be seen from the following case how this system works out. Two consumers, A and B, have installations of the same size. A uses energy for twelve months in the year, B for six months. A is a good consumer, and to him it might be advantageous to give a rebate. B is a bad consumer, and does not use the supply to warrant any discount being given. Along these lines, the flat rate system of charging fails. Under the County Council Rules and Regulations to intending electrical consumers who wish to use the 2d. per unit or "other uses" rate, it is laid down that the consumer must wire an isolated circuit for such apparatus as heaters, vacuum cleaners, irons, grills, and cookers, kettles, &c. The supply authority has, therefore, to expend additional capital in meters, and additional expense in upkeep of same. If single wiring and single meters were adopted it would be safe to assume that one-third of the present number of meters installed on consumers premises would be relieved to put on new installations, with no other cost than that of removal and fixing. The consumer would also be relieved of the burden of double wiring (which is costly and in many cases quite out of the question).

Differential Rates.

Modern Tariffs calculated to develop Supply, to lower expenditure in Meters, and *to relieve the consumer of the expense of double-wiring.*

Norwich System.—This system embodies a primary charge, based on a percentage of the rateable value of the premises, and a low metered charge in the region of 1d. per unit. The advantages of this system are—(1) it is easily understood, and consequently commands good business; (2) application of the system is cheap, and it encourages under a single system of wiring and meters, a liberal rendering of all the uses to which electrical energy may be put. The disadvantages are—(1) it does not discriminate as to the varied rateable value due to environment; (2) it does not discriminate as to the use to which two similarly-placed consumers may put their illuminant or use energy.

It has, however, paid well in Norwich, where the system was initiated, as there a residential "load" was, in the course of a few years, quadrupled.

Glasgow System.—In Glasgow it was deemed desirable to formulate a scheme which would give domestic consumers the benefit of a lower rate where the free use of heaters, cookers, irons, &c., was applied, without necessitating duplicate meters and duplicate wiring. After careful consideration of domestic supply it was found, on an average, that 800 hours' annual use of lighting maximum demand could be fixed as at 3d. per unit, and all used over this quantity could be supplied at 1d. per unit. In Glasgow the bills are rendered on a two-monthly basis, and in order to let the consumer see, on that basis, what units he got for a penny, a liberal application was made of the maximum demand system in its bearing to domestic consumers. The undernoted division of the 800 hours' use of maximum demand was put in force with reference to each two-monthly account:—

	Hours use of maximum demand at 3d. per unit.
June-July, ...	40
August-September, ...	60
October-November, ...	200
December-January, ...	300
February-March, ...	160
April-May, ...	40
	800

All further units at 1d.

It is interesting to note that, on date 19th January, 1912 (the scheme then having been in operation for one year), over 500 consumers had, in that period, installed additional apparatus of some kind, and that 100 of these consumers' accounts, examined at random, showed an increase of 21 per cent. in consumpt over the previous year.

Manchester System.—This scheme was inaugurated in September of current year, and consists of an annual fixed charge of 12½ per cent. on the net rateable value of the house, plus ½d. per unit metered, for current used for lighting and all other purposes. This system was devised to obviate double wiring and double meters. The adoption of the rate was made contingent upon the installation of domestic consuming appliances other than lamps, in accordance with the undermentioned scale of rateable values. For houses not exceeding £30 per annum 2 kilowatt to be installed: exceeding £30 but not above £50, 3 kilowatt to be installed; above £50, 4 kilowatt to be installed.

Those systems, as above outlined, bring out the elements of proportionate charging, to the consumer, in regard to the amount he should bear on the standing and running costs of supply.

In applying a new tariff or tariffs to our district, the key-note of expediency (an excellent business-getter) should be adopted, and, along the undernoted lines, development could be fostered, not only in the residential district, but among business people, shopkeepers, and the *too few* day-load power users.

Cambuslang new differential rate, based on lighting maximum demand (four-monthly account), demand to be assessed on percentage of corrected load, is—

(*A*) Domestic Consumers.

Lighting installed up to and including 500 Watts, ...	70 per cent.
„ „ between 500 and 1,000 „ ...	60 per cent.
„ „ „ 1,000 „ 2,000 „ ...	55 per cent.

	Hours use of percentage of connected load at 4d. per unit.
June, July, August, and September, ...	100
October, November, December, and January, ...	500
February, March, April, and May, ...	200
	800

All further units at 1½d.

(*B*) Shopkeeper and Business Consumers.

Percentage of connected lighting load as—

Lighting installed up to and including 500 Watts, ..	80 per cent.
„ „ between 500 and 1,000 „ ..	70 per cent.
„ „ „ 1,000 „ 2,000 „ ...	65 per cent.

	Hours use of percentage of connected load at 4d. per unit.
June, July, August, and September, ...	100
October, November, December, and January, ...	500
February, March, April, and May, ...	200
	800

All further units at 1½d.

Note.—Shopkeepers who, at present, are lighting consumers only, to remain on flat rate of 4d. per unit. Those who instal small-power utensils, such as fans, heaters, advertising lights and signs, and small motors of any description, to qualify for the B assessed maximum-demand rate of 4d. and 1½d. per unit.

Dayload Power Consumers.

This class of consumer in Cambuslang is, under present conditions, severely dealt with by the charge of 2d. per unit on *all units consumed*. It must be remembered that this demand comes on the works at a time when the electrical plant is comparatively idle. At the same time, especially in spring, summer, and autumn months, the surplus refuse has to be destroyed and the heat therefrom wasted so far as steam raising and electrical generation is concerned. In the characteristic curves I. and II. (Station load and fuel curves), herewith enclosed, is demonstrated the fallacy of keeping up the price of 6.0 a.m. to 5.0 p.m. units to consumers for power. In analysing the idle portion of the curve, and taking only 75 per cent. of the months May, June, July, and August, 53,000 units could be generated on refuse, and this, at 1d. per unit, would realise £220 per annum. To this sum, also, must be added the amount of £55 7s., the wages of day-shift destroying refuse over the noted period. I would recommend that day-load consumers be given a sliding scale, with the following charges:—

(*C*) Dayload Power Supply, (6.0 a.m. to 5.0 p.m.)

For the first 1,000 units per annum, ...	2d. per unit.
„ next 4,000 „ „	1½d. „ „

All units in excess of above at rate of 1d. in any one year.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

D. M. EUNSON.

APPENDIX III.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending 1913.	Units Generated, Refuse.	Units generated, Coal.	Units sold, Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used in Gallons.	Coal used.			Refuse destroyed.			Units bought, Clyde Valley.	Total Units generated.	Total Units corresponding period last year.
						Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.			
Nov. 15,	4,836	411	2,393	144	60,510	3	6	2	149	11	0	—	5,247	4,845
,, *22,	4,369	1,066	2,468	154	65,070	7	0	0	158	17	0	46	5,468	4,932
,, 29,	5,158	459	2,451	143	68,010	3	13	2	149	10	2	—	5,617	5,373
Dec. 6,	5,207	808	2,505	182	67,020	6	9	2	153	15	2	92	6,082	5,860
,, *13,	4,879	1,143	2,576	199	60,710	6	13	0	162	0	2	206	6,178	5,764
,, 20,	5,365	645	2,480	178	64,030	5	15	2	157	7	2	236	6,188	5,871
,, 27,	5,410	540	2,477	206	60,920	4	4	0	160	13	0	293	6,173	5,489
1914. Jan. 3,	5,210	623	2,419	223	61,670	4	18	0	154	17	0	210	5,991	5,363
,, *10,	4,758	950	2,401	196	67,710	5	12	0	171	19	2	251	5,896	5,488

* Denotes destructor flue cleaning.

D. M. EUNSON,
Resident Engineer.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

18th February, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 18th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destructor Works at Cambuslang.

Present—

ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM WALKER.

Attending—

W. L. DOUGLASS, District Engineer.
D. M. EUNSON, Resident Engineer.

Chairman.

Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Condition of chimney at works.—Report by Messrs. Robb.

The Clerk stated that he had called the meeting on short notice for the purpose of considering, as a matter of urgency, the condition of the head of the chimney at the works, which it was reported was in a somewhat dangerous condition. He stated that it had been thought advisable to instruct Messrs. Robb, steeplejacks, Bridgeton, to have the chimney scaled and an examination made, and he submitted a report from Messrs. Robb, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"We have now climbed the chimney at your electric works, Cam-"buslang, and we find that the head is in a very bad and dangerous "condition. All the stone and brickwork under the topmost coping is "very badly spread down to the top of the second last project, which "means that the chimney head for about 5 to 6 feet will require to be lifted "and relaid or done away with altogether. The cause of this we cannot "properly define, but we think it is due to the expansion and contraction "taking place with the chimney being off and on so much."

Messrs. Robb's offer.

The Clerk also submitted an offer from Messrs. Robb to take down the top part of the chimney to the extent of fourteen courses and top blocking course (measuring from 5 to 6 feet), then measure for, supply, and fit up one 4-inch by $\frac{3}{8}$-inch iron hoop in three sections, with buckle joints, clamps, and hangers, then re-fix the lightning conductor, fixing same to external hoop, for the sum of £20 5s. They further agreed to fit up a Robb's fireclay cope, with external hoop and fittings, for the sum of £12.

Committee's decision.

There having been submitted a drawing of the chimney head, and the matter having been fully explained by Mr. Douglas, District Engineer, the meeting agreed to accept the offer of Messrs. Robb so far as regards the taking down of the portion of the chimney affected. The meeting, having also agreed that the part to be taken down should be rebuilt to its present height, remitted to the Clerk and the Engineers to arrange with Messrs. Robb to have this done after receiving a further estimate of the cost of rebuilding the head-piece, the estimate to be submitted to the chairman before acceptance.

Advertisement of undertaking.

The meeting authorised the Clerk to insert an advertisement of the undertaking in a booklet in course of preparation in connection with the Hallside Parish Church Bazaar, the cost of the advertisement not to exceed £1.

New boiler and flues.—Messrs Babcock & Wilcox's account.

The Clerk reported that he had now arrived at a settlement with Messrs. Babcock & Wilcox, Limited, of the account rendered by them for the balance of their contract in accordance with the following statement, viz.:—

Balance of contract, ...		£143 0 0
Interest on same for one year at 5 per cent., ...		7 3 0
Wages of firemen on special and ordinary runs of boiler—		
First run, ...	£1 3 6	
7th to 27th October, ...	6 0 4	
November, 1913, ...	5 12 4	
		12 16 2
		£162 19 2
Deductions as agreed to between parties—		
Payment towards cost of alteration of flues, ...	£10 0 0	
Wages of firemen (all but first run), ...	11 12 8	
Deductions on test, ...	10 0 0	
		31 12 8
		£131 6 6

The meeting approved.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

1st April. 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, *upon Wednesday, 1st April,* 1914. being a meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council of Lanark appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destructor Works at Cambuslang.

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
Robert Lambie.
William Love.
Gavin A. Shanks.
Colonel King Stewart.
James Tonner.
William Walker.

Attending—

W. E. Whyte, Clerk to Middle Ward District Committee.
W. L. Douglass, District Engineer.
D. M. Eunson, Resident Engineer.

Chairman.

Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Minutes of meetings.

The minutes of meetings of the committee, of dates 28th January and 18th February, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Minutes of special meeting.

The Clerk read to the meeting the minutes (Appendix I.) of the special meeting of the committee held at the works yesterday (31st March), and the same were approved of.

Remit to local members.

The meeting remitted to the local members of the joint-committee, viz., Messrs. Love, Tonner, Coyle, and Walker, to consider the offers which may be received for carrying out the work of filling up the portion of the quarry referred to in the minutes, and to accept the lowest or any offer.

Proposed contribution from equivalent grant.—Recommendation by Finance Committee.

The Clerk reported that the Finance Committee had at a meeting held this day, agreed to recommend that a contribution from the equivalent grant should be made towards the cost of the work of filling up the quarry, the amount of the contribution to be determined when the actual cost of the work had been ascertained.

Alleged accident between Gateside and Howieshill. — Correspondence with Tramway Company.

The Clerk laid before the meeting correspondence which had passed between him and the Lanarkshire Tramways Company in regard to an accident to a tramway car at a point of the road between Gateside and Howieshill, on 16th January last, it being alleged that while operations were in course of being carried out by workmen in the employment of this committee, which necessitated the raising of the setts between the tramway rails, a car when passing the point in question seemed to strike something, and as a result the floor of the car was lifted up, causing injury to two passengers.

Matter remitted to Clerk.

The Clerk having further explained the circumstances, the meeting remitted to him to consider the necessity of precognosing the workmen employed by the committee on the occasion in question, and any other persons present at the time of the alleged accident.

Repairs to chimney carried out.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 18th February, the Clerk reported that an offer by Messrs. Robb, amounting to £27, for the rebuilding of the top of the chimney at the works to its original height, had been accepted, and that the work had since been carried out.

Boiler flue.—Messrs. Sproull's account.

There was submitted to the meeting an account from Messrs. Sproull & Sons, amounting to £20, for alterations of the boiler flue.

Payment authorised.

The Clerk having explained that, in accordance with the arrangement come to, Messrs. Babcock & Wilcox had already paid half of this amount, the meeting authorised payment of the account.

Application by Gilbertfield Co-operative Society for power supply. — Letter from Resident Engineer.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Resident Engineer, of date 9th ultimo, stating that he had received a further application from the Gilbertfield Co-operative Society for a power supply to run a cinematograph apparatus, but that owing to the present overloaded state of the cable at Halfway, he had been obliged to refuse the application.

Additional expenditure for cables, &c.— Letter from Resident Engineer.

There were submitted at the meeting further communications from the Resident Engineer, of dates 20th and 25th March, stating that he anticipated getting shortly thirty new consumers, which would involve additional capital expenditure, and asking the Committee to authorise the following sums, viz.:—

Cables and laying of same, ...	£175
Fee Boxes, ...	15
Service Boxes, ...	15
Meters, ...	65
Making a total of	£270

Expenditure authorised.

It was explained that this was in addition to the sum, estimated at about £80, for the alteration in connection with section pillar in Main Street, which was authorised by the committee at their meeting on 28th January last. The meeting agreed to authorise the capital expenditure above named.

Proposed supply of electricity to Milton Avenue, Cambuslang.—Letter from Resident Engineer.

The Clerk submitted and read a further letter from the Resident Engineer, of date 31st March, stating that he had received a communication from Mr. James Stewart, builder, Cambuslang, who is now laying out villas in Milton Avenue, requesting a supply of electricity for the purpose of lighting to the first villa, which would be completed during the summer, and stating that he estimated the cost of cable and the laying of it for private consumers at £50, and the annual return, when the avenue is completed, at £30.

Question of street lighting.

The Resident Engineer at the same time pointed out that as the avenue would require street lighting at a later date it would be advisable that the street lighting cable and the private consumers' cable should be laid at one and the same time, and that if this were done the extra cost would be £20. If, on the other hand, the street lighting cable was not laid at the same time, the ultimate cost would be almost double that amount.

Cables to be laid.

The meeting approved of the laying of the necessary cables, both for private consumers and for street lighting, as suggested by the Resident Engineer, and that additional borrowing powers for £70 be asked for.

Works record.

There was laid before the meeting the Works Record (Appendix II.) for the period from 17th January, 1914, to 21st March, 1914.

APPENDIX I.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

31st March, 1914. At CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND REFUSE DESTRUCTOR WORKS, on Tuesday, 31st March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee in charge of the said Works.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN.
OWEN COYLE.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM LOVE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
JAMES TONNER.
WILLIAM WALKER.

Attending—

W. L. DOUGLASS, District Engineer.
D. M. EUNSON, Resident Engineer.

Chairman. Mr. Love presiding.

Drowning accident at quarry.—Letter from Resident Engineer. The Clerk submitted a letter from the Resident Engineer reporting that, on 23rd instant two boys, aged 4½ and 5 years respectively, fell into the quarry adjacent to the Works and were drowned; that he had made an examination of the fences, which he found to be intact; and that the inquiries made by him had failed to elicit definite information as to how the boys got into the grounds.

Inspection of quarry. The members of the committee having expressed regret that this accident should have occurred notwithstanding all the precautions which had been taken, and the warnings which had been given of the danger to children entering the grounds, proceeded to make an inspection of the quarry, with a view, if possible, to the adoption of some means by which the recurrence of such accidents might be avoided.

Portion of quarry adjoining Silverbanks to be filled up.—Offers to be taken. After consideration of various proposals, it was unanimously agreed, on the motion of the Chairman, that the north-eastern portion of the quarry adjoining Silverbanks should be filled up to a height sufficient to avoid water collecting, and that the District Engineer be instructed to invite offers for the work, and submit same to a future meeting of the committee.

Probable cost. The District Engineer stated that he estimated that this would involve a sum of £200 roughly, and the committee agreed that application be made to the County Council for a contribution from the Equivalent Grant towards defraying the cost of the work as a scheme of public utility.

APPENDIX II.

CAMBUSLANG ELECTRICITY AND REFUSE DESTRUCTOR WORKS.

WORKS RECORD.

Week ending	Units generated, Refuse.	Units generated, Coal.	Units sold, Street Lighting.	Units used in Station.	Water used in Gallons.	Coal used.			Refuse destroyed.			Units bought, Clyde Valley.	Total Units generated.	Total Units, corresponding period last year.
						Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.			
1914.														
Jan. 17	5,474	543	2,469	233	73,090	4	7	2	168	6	0	459	6,360	5,545
„ 24	5,372	334	2,491	212	75,360	2	19	2	171	12	2	361	5,983	5,522
„ 31*	4,371	804	2,308	198	70,780	4	18	0	171	15	0	254	5,363	5,340
Feb. 7	4,600	416	2,225	182	63,130	3	13	2	167	11	0	115	5,101	5,087
„ 14	4,557	344	2,180	199	65,020	2	19	2	169	2	3	55	4,943	4,984
„ 21*	4,052	779	2,061	169	72,810	5	5	0	174	7	2	62	4,873	4,676
„ 28	4,244	383	2,003	185	71,870	3	10	0	179	8	2	—	4,627	4,412
Mar. 7	4,120	314	1,942	165	71,710	2	16	0	173	15	2	—	4,434	4,176
„ 14*	3,655	647	1,908	169	65,960	4	7	2	168	6	2	30	4,323	3,948
„ 21	3,908	140	1,719	144	66,620	1	18	2	182	10	2	—	4,048	3,591

* Denotes flue cleaning.

D. M. EUNSON,
Resident Engineer.

JOINT-COMMITTEE ON CAMBUSLANG ELECTRIC LIGHTING, &c.

22nd April, 1914. At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 22nd April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Joint-Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark appointed in connection with the Electricity and Refuse Destructor Works at Cambuslang.

Present—

Colonel BUCHANAN. | ROBERT LAMBIE.
OWEN COYLE. | WILLIAM LOVE.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.

Attending—

W. L. DOUGLASS. District Engineer.
D. M. EUNSON, Resident Engineer.

Chairman. Mr. Love, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting. The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minute of last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st April, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Proposed supply of electric current to Rosebank U.F. Church. The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter which he had received from Mr. J. T. T. Brown, on behalf of the Deacons Court of the Rosebank U.F. Church, together with a letter from the Resident Engineer, regarding the proposed supply of current for the organ of the church, and also for the lighting of the church and halls.

Statement by Clerk. The Clerk explained that there appeared to be two points from which a connection might be made—one involving the laying of 40 yards of service cable, this being the most accessible place, and another at a distance of only 15 yards, but in the latter case the laying of the service main would necessitate the breaking up of concrete. If the connection were made according to the first suggestion, a charge of £6 5s. would be made, and in the case of the second the charge would be £2 6s. 5d., the price per unit being 4d. for lighting and 2d. for power.

Terms for supply of current. The Clerk stated that the above terms had been communicated to Mr. J. T. T. Brown, and the meeting approved.

Annual Convention of Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association.—Appointment of delegate to attend. There was submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Annual Convention of the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association, inviting the appointment of delegates to attend the Annual Convention, to be held this year at Birmingham on 15th to 20th June next.

Letter from Secretary for Scotland submitted. The Clerk having submitted and read to the meeting the letter from the Secretary for Scotland on the question of the payment of expenses involved in such appointments, the meeting, after discussion, agreed that the Chairman or the Resident Engineer should attend the Convention as representing this committee.

Filling up of part of Old Quarry at Works.—Offer of William Allan accepted. The Clerk laid before the meeting the offers which had been received for the work of filling up part of the old quarry at the works, and the meeting, having considered these, instructed him to accept the lowest offer, being that of Mr. William Allan, contractor, Strathaven, the rate per cubic yard being 8d., subject to the conditions set forth in the specification of the work prepared by the District Engineer.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there upon Wednesday, 4th February, 1914, being a meeting of tbe Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th February, 1914.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM BARR.	Colonel LOGAN.
Colonel BUCHANAN.	A. D. MACK.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.	ALEXANDER PILLANS.
OWEN COYLE.	GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM L. DYER.	ROBERT SHARP.
GEORGE FRASER.	WILLIAM SPEIRS.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD	Colonel KING STEWART.
GAVIN HAMILTON.	WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
JAMES HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.	WILLIAM B. THOMSON.

Appointment of chairman.

The meeting having proceeded to appoint a chairman of the committee, Mr Templeton moved that Mr. Fraser be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. Coyle Thereafter Mr. Gold moved that Mr. Adam be appointed, which was seconded by Mr. Speirs. There being no further nominations and a vote having been taken by way of a show of hands, a majority voted in favour of Mr. Fraser, who was accordingly declared to have been appointed chairman.

Mr. Fraser thereupon took the chair and thanked the meeting.

Quorum fixed.

The quorum of the committee was fixed at 5.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 5th November, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Precepts for December, 1913, and January, 1914.

The Clerk reported that the precept for December, 1913, amounting to £131,608 16s. 1d., and for January, 1914, amounting to £52,268 19s. 8d., had, as authorised by the committee at their last meeting, been examined and passed for payment by two members of the committee.

Accounts and requisitions.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £41,686 12s. were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book being initialed by Mr. Dyer and Mr. Gold.

Accounts for cleaning and revarnishing the portraits in County Hall at Lanark.

The Clerk stated that included amongst the accounts was one from Messrs. James Connell & Sons, Glasgow, amounting to £24, for cleaning and revarnishing the portraits in the County Hall at Lanark, and that the opinion had been expressed that the sum asked seemed to be somewhat excessive. It was agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk, who undertook to have an inspection made of the work done.

Middle Ward requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for the sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz.:—

No. 171 (new) dated 29th November, 1913, ...	£142	10	9
No. 172 (new) dated 26th December, 1913, ...	186	19	5
No. 173 (new) dated 31st January, 1914, ...	521	18	7
No. 176 (old) dated 29th November, 1913, ...	446	9	9
No. 177 (old) dated 26th December, 1913, ...	148	9	8
No. 178 (old) dated 31st January, 1914, ...	87	12	4

Statement of loan indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 31st JANUARY, 1914.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...				£1,000,356	15 7
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£241,753	0	0		
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	155,510	14	5		
				86,242	5 7
				£1,086,599	1 2
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...				45,725	3 6
				£1,132,324	4 8

The County Fund stands at £95,786 to the credit, made up as follows:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£70,000	0	0
On Account Current, ...	25,786	0	0
	£95,786	0	0

Bank Certificate.

As relative to the above statement the Clerk submitted Certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on Deposit Receipt.

Certificate of accuracy of Bank Account.

The meeting authorised Colonel Buchanan and Mr. Speirs to sign a certificate of the accuracy of the Bank Accounts as at the date of the bank balance on 11th October, 1913.

Statement of Collection of Assessments.

The Clerk also submitted the following statement of the collection of assessments, viz.:—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1913-14, AS COMPARED WITH 1912 13 AS AT 28TH JANUARY.

Amount imposed, ...	£272,729	0	7	
Do. collected, ...	178,131	1	1	

Being 65·31 per cent.

Collected at same date last year, 56·34 per cent.

The meeting expressed gratification on the satisfactory nature of the collection.

Close of collection.

The meeting fixed the 14th day of February as the date for the close of the Collection of Assessments.

Request for extension of time by ratepayers in Mossend district.

There was submitted a letter from Mr. John Campbell, a member of the County Council, intimating a request for an extension of the time in which ratepayers in the Mossend district might be permitted to pay their Assessments without the addition of costs. The Clerk having explained the practice that had hitherto prevailed in the way of granting extension of time in cases of hardship that had been brought under his notice, the meeting were of opinion that a continuance of the practice would meet the object Mr. Campbell had in view, and instructed the Clerk to advise him accordingly.

Remuneration of Collectors of County Assesssments.

The meeting, in terms of the remit made to the Committee by the County Council at the Statutory Meeting held on 9th October, 1913, having proceeded to consider as to the remuneration to be paid to the Collectors of County Assessments for the current year, and having been advised of the amount collected by each Collector, fixed the remuneration as follows, being the same as for last year:—

W. B. Pairman, Biggar,...	£25	0	0
R. M'Cowan, Strathaven, ...	30	0	0
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, ...	65	0	0
James A. Russell, Airdrie, ...	85	0	0
W. D Loudon, Hamilton, ...	145	0	0

with reimbursement of outlays for cost of outdoor collections and receipt and postage stamps, but excluding cost of clerical assistance.

Claim by Carron Company for owners' allowance under House Letting Act.

The Clerk having reported the position of matters with regard to the Claim of the Carron Company for the owners' allowance under the House Letting Act in respect of occupiers' rates on their workmen's houses, and having explained that the Assessment Appeal Committee had indicated their willingness to have the case tested in the Court of Session, he submitted a letter from Messrs. Bishop, Milne Boyd, & Russell, stating that, on reconsideration, their clients thought that the decision of the Sheriff might be taken in the first instance. The Committee, however, were of opinion that in view of the question of principle involved, and its far-reaching application in similar cases throughout the County, the original proposal for a Court of Session decision should be adhered to.

Audit of County Accounts

The Clerk intimated to the meeting that the audit of the Accounts of the County Council, including those of the District Committees, had, as appointed by the County Auditor, taken place within the County Offices, Hamilton, on 1st December last, when no ratepayers appeared to state objections to any of the items, and he submitted an Abstract of the Accounts as audited, and stated that a copy had been sent to each member of the County Council.

The Auditor's certificate is in the following terms, viz.:—

"Glasgow, 10*th December*, 1913.—As Auditor appointed by the Secretary for Scotland to audit the Accounts of the County Council of the County of Lanark, I hereby certify that I have audited these accounts (whereof the following are Abstracts), including those of the District Committees, for the year ending 15th May, 1913, and that I have found them to be correct, and in accordance with the Regulations of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889.

The total expenditure which I have audited and allowed is, as shown in the Summary of Accounts, three hundred and ninety-nine thousand four hundred and forty-three pounds four shillings and threepence halfpenny (£399,443 4s. 3½d.), of which ten hundred and seventy pounds five shillings and threepence (£1,070 5s. 3d.), shown as expenditure and charged to Suspense Account, is not a legal charge to any rate until examined and allowed by the person appointed in terms of the Borough Funds Act, 1872. The expenditure of the Police Pension Fund (£3,722 8s. 7d.) and the Cambuslang Electric Lighting Undertaking (£5,292 3s. 7d.) is not included in the foregoing figures, and is dealt with in separate certificates (see pages 79 and 87).

PETER RINTOUL, C.A.,
County Auditor."

Expenses of deputation to London on administrative questions. – Letter from County Auditor.

As relative to these Accounts, the Clerk submitted and read a letter, dated 1st December, 1913, from the County Auditor on the subject of the expenses of deputations to London on administrative questions, the Auditor's conclusions being as follows:—For the future "I do not propose to pass any expenditure "by the County Council or District Committees on deputations to London, either "on administrative questions or otherwise, unless the Regulations of 1906 are "strictly complied with, or, in necessary cases, approval obtained to a relaxa-"tion of these Regulations in terms of the Scottish Office letter of 27th "January, 1913. The necessary approval would require to be obtained by "the County Council, and the expenses of the deputation paid by the County "Treasurer with the authority of the County Council."

After discussion, the Clerk was instructed to convey the Auditor's observations to the Clerks to the District Committees, at the same time stating that the Finance Committee are prepared to assist the District Committees when occasion arises, and on cause shown, for the necessary approval being obtained from the Scottish Office under the Secretary for Scotland's Regulations of 1906.

Expenses of delegates attending Congresses.—Letter from County Auditor.

The Clerk submitted and read a further letter, dated 1st December, 1913, which he had received from the County Auditor on the subject of expenses of delegates attending Congresses, stating that, apart from his own personal view as to the legality of such expenditure being charged to the rates, he could no longer, having regard to the practice in other Counties, allow such expenses to be a charge upon the rates, and suggesting that the County Council should adopt either of the following two courses, viz.:—

(1) To apply to the Secretary for Scotland for permission to pay such expenditure out of the Equivalent Grant in respect that these Congresses are schemes of public utility; or

(2) To continue charging the expenditure to the rates, and allow the legality of the same to be settled on a Report by him.

Remit to Clerk to endeavour to obtain interview with Secretary for Scotland.

The meeting, after careful consideration, remitted to the Clerk to endeavour to obtain an interview with the Secretary for Scotland on the subject, with a view to some satisfactory arrangement being come to.

Revision of headings in Abstract of County Accounts.

The Clerk having indicated the desirability of the headings in the Abstract of County Accounts being revised, with a view to uniformity in classifying the expenditure of the County Council and District Committees, the meeting approved of the suggestion, and remitted to him to confer with the three District Clerks with a view to the suggestion being carried into effect, and to make the necessary arrangements with the printer.

Expenses of County Council and Parish Council Elections.

There were laid before the meeting the accounts of expenses incurred in connection with the County Council and Parish Councils Elections in December last, showing the total cost to be £2,015 16s. 2½d., and by way of comparison of the cost of previous elections, the Clerk submitted a statement, of which the following is a copy, viz.:—

		No. of Contests.		Cost.	Initial Expenditure. Charge per Electoral Division, Parish, or Parish Ward.	Expenditure caused by Contested Elections. Charge per Polling Station.
1892.	County Council Election, ...	19		£718 9 5	...	...
1895.	County Council Election, ...	14		600 14 5	...	...
1895.	Parish Councils Elections, ...	52		1,866 10 7	...	...
1898.	County Council Election, ...	18	52	1,809 15 1	...	...
1898.	Parish Councils Elections, ...	34				
1901.	County Council Election, ...	14	36	1,644 5 5	£4 8 3	£14 18 3
1901.	Parish Councils Elections, ...	22				
1904.	County Council Election, ...	15	43	1,654 0 1	4 8 10	11 11 8
1904.	Parish Councils Elections, ...	28				
1907.	County Council Election, ...	15	49	1,824 16 8	4 5 1	11 13 4
1907.	Parish Councils Elections, ...	34				
1910.	County Council Election, ...	22	54	2,004 14 5	4 5 1	11 14 1
1910.	Parish Councils Elections, ...	32				
1913.	County Council Election, ...	18	51	2,015 16 2½	4 5 11	12 0 4
1913.	Parish Councils Elections, ...	33				

The Accounts were passed for payment subject to their being checked by the Auditor and found to be in accordance with the scale sanctioned by the Secretary for Scotland.

Scheme of allocation of expenditure.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a scheme of allocation which he had prepared on the same basis as was adopted in the case of previous elections (subject to a modification in the amount of initial expenditure), the method of apportionment as between the County Council and the Parish Councils being as follows:—

Cost of combined elections, as per Returning Officer's Abstract of Expenditure, ...		£2,015 16 2½
Whereof to be taken as initial expenditure preparing for elections, ...	£550 0 0	
Whereof to be taken as additional expenditure in contested elections, ...	1,465 16 2½	
		2,015 16 2½

Allocate the £550 between the County Council and Parish Councils according to the number of Electoral Divisions and Parishes or Parish Wards:—

	Contested.	Uncontested.	Total.	
County Council Divisions, ...	18	37	55 =	£236
Parishes and Parish Wards, ...	33	40	73 =	314
	51	77	128	£550

being £4 5s. 11d. per Electoral Division or Parish Ward as the case may be.

Allocate the £1,465 16s. 2½d. between the County Council and Parish Councils according to the number of Polling Stations:—

In County Council Elections, ...	52 =	£624 15 5
In Parish Council Elections, ...	70 =	841 0 9½
	122	£1,465 16 2½

APPORTIONMENT.

	Initial Expenditure.	Additional for Contested Elections.	Total.
Parish Councils, ...	£314	£841 0 9½	£1,155 0 9½
County Council, ...	236	624 15 5	860 15 5
	£550	£1,465 16 2½	£2,015 16 2½

The meeting approved of the scheme of allocation, and instructed the Clerk to charge each of the several parishes with its respective quota of the cost on the above basis, viz.:—

£4 5s. 11d. per Parish or Parish Ward as initial expenditure.
£12 0s. 4d. per Polling Station in contested elections.

	Cost per Polling Station.	Initial Expendture.
Year 1898, ...	£12 0 0	—
„ 1901, ...	14 18 3	£4 8 3
„ 1904, ...	11 11 8	4 8 10
„ 1907, ...	11 13 4	4 5 1
„ 1910, ...	11 14 1	4 5 1
„ 1913, ...	12 0 4	4 5 11

Purchase of additional ground adjoining County Hospital, Motherwell.

There was submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 2nd February, 1914, stating that the District Committee had agreed to recommend the purchase of an additional area of ground, extending to 2·908 acres, from Lord Hamilton of Dalziel, on the south side of Airbles Road, Motherwell, opposite the County Hospital, for the purpose of preserving the amenity of that Institution, the feu-duty for the plot to be at the rate of £12 per annum, and amounting to £34 17s. 11d. The meeting approved.

Equivalent Grant. — Communication from Under Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication which he had received from the Under Secretary for Scotland which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W., 7th November, 1913.

"SIR,

"With reference to your letter of the 24th ultimo, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to state, for the information of the County Council of Lanarkshire, that he consents in terms of Section 2 (5) (c) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (Scotland) Act, 1892, to the following contributions being made from the share of the Equivalent Grant paid to the Council in the current year, viz.:—

(1) £100 towards assisting in the training of nurses to be employed in the County by the Scottish Branch of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses.

(2) £50 towards the funds of the Lanarkshire Association for Nurses which is affiliated to the Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute for Nurses.

(3) £78 15s. to the funds of the Glasgow Veterinary College.

(4) £25 to the funds of the Motherwell Public Library.

"I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) "JAMES M. DODDS."

Children Act.—Case of William Brown.

The Clerk reported the case of a boy, William Brown, residing at Craigmuir Road, High Blantyre, who had pled guilty to a charge of theft, and had been committed to a Reformatory. The meeting undertook, in terms of the Children Act, to become responsible for the offender's maintenance in the institution.

Children Act.—Letter from Kibble Institution regarding James Murray.

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Governor of the Kibble Institution, Paisley, stating that the boy James Murray, towards whose emigration expenses the County Council had contributed £10, had, owing to the condition of his health, been unable to leave the Institution, but that it was hoped he would be able to go in the near future.

Bellshill J.P. Court.—Toilet requisites.

The Clerk reported that he had authorised the purchase of certain toilet requisites which were urgently required for the Bellshill Justice of Peace Court. The meeting approved of the Clerk's action.

Appointment of Mr. Peter Rintoul, C.A., as County Auditor.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication which he had received from the Under Secretary for Scotland, and which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Scottish Office,
"Whitehall, S.W., 20th November, 1913.

"SIR,

"I.—LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1889.

COUNTY AUDIT.

"I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to state for the information of the County Council of Lanark that he has been pleased, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section 69 of the Local Government

(Scotland) Act, 1889, to appoint Peter Rintoul, Esq., C.A., 212 West George Street, Glasgow, to audit the Accounts of the County Council (including the Accounts of the District Committees) for the year ending 15th May next.

"II.—GRANTS BY ROAD BOARD.

"I am to take this opportunity of referring to the Grants which have been made by the Road Board constituted under the Development and Road Improvement Funds Act, 1909, to a number of County and Burgh Road Authorities in Scotland for the purpose of aiding in the construction or improvement of roads As it will be the duty of auditors to satisfy themselves that all such grants have been duly applied towards meeting the cost of the works in respect of which they have been given, the County Council (or District Committee as the case may be) should, where a grant is made to them towards the cost of any work from the Road Improvement Fund, cause the expenditure on the work to be clearly distinguished in their Accounts.

"I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) "JAMES M. DODDS."

The Clerk stated that the matter to which notice had been drawn in the last paragraph of the communication would receive his attention.

Proposal to use Hairmyres Inebriate Reformatory as an Hospital or Consumptive Sanatorium. — Communication from Under Secretary for Scotland.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a communication from the Under-Secretary intimating that the Secretary for Scotland, so far as he may be deemed to have an interest, consents to the proposal of the County Council to appropriate for use as an Hospital or Consumptive Sanatorium under the Public Health Acts the property at Hairmyres, which was originally acquired by the County Council for the purpose of an Inebriate Reformatory under the Inebriates Acts.

Blantyre Old Police Station to be exposed for sale.

In view of a letter received from Mr. William Stodart, Solicitor, Hamilton, making inquiries on behalf of a client regarding the Blantyre Old Police Station, the meeting instructed the Clerk to expose the property at the upset price of £800, provided he obtained an undertaking that that sum would be bid by Mr. Stodart's client.

House Letting and Rating Act.—Proposal to adopt provisions of Act in additional Special Districts.

The Clerk stated that the following additional Special Districts had been formed since the adoption by the Council of the House Letting and Rating Act, viz.:—

(1) Crawford Special Scavenging District;
(2) Carnbroe Special Drainage District; and
(3) Carstairs Special Water District.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to recommend the County Council to take advantage of the first opportunity to adopt the Act within the Special Districts above mentioned.

Housing of the Working Classes Act.—Application by the Middle Ward District Committee.

The Clerk submitted an application by the Middle Ward District Committee for the consent of the County Council to the borrowing of a sum of £400 for the erection of houses at Raploch, Larkhall, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act. The meeting, after consideration, and having been advised of the powers possessed by the County Council, were agreed that a general approval of the application should meantime be given, but that the application should be re-submitted to the Committee for consideration as to certain details relative to the period for which the necessary loan should be arranged, the rents to be charged for the houses, &c., which seemed to call for adjustment.

Applications relative to Borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the Committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of Capital Works, viz. :—

Upper Ward.

(1) £250 for extension of distributing pipe in Symington Special Water District.
(2) £1,100 for the introduction of supplementary supply to Crawford Special Water District.

Middle Ward.

(1) £250 for erection of a gate lodge at County Hospital, Motherwell.
(2) £400 for erection of an attendant's cottage at County Hospital, Stonehouse.
(3) £30 for erection of additional lamps in Brownside Road, &c., Cambuslang, within the Cambuslang Special Lighting District.
(4) £54 4s. for erection of a public urinal at Bridge Street, Newton, within Cambuslang Special Scavenging District.
(5) £550 for the construction of sewage purification works, &c., in connection with the County Hospital, Bellshill.
(6) £2,400 for laying of water pipe from Hether's Bridge to Burngrange Bridge, in the Parish of Dalziel.
(7) £40 for construction of new road of access at Blantyre Sanatorium.
(8) £60 for completion of Superintendent's Office, &c., at Blantyre slaughter-house.

The County.

(1) £3,300 for the proposed construction of a new highway at Glenboig in the Parish of New Monkland.
(2) £2,500, offices in Clydesdale Street, Hamilton, cost of buildings and of improvements and alterations thereon.
(3) £1,100 being balance of cost of Cambuslang Police and Fire Station.
(4) £12,500 being cost of establishment of Fire Brigade.
(5) £550 being purchase price of Glenbank, Lenzie, for police constables houses.
(6) £80 for widening and improvement of Meikle Earnock Highway at Meikle Earnock in the Parish of Hamilton.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 4th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 4th March, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Gavin Hamilton.
William Barr.	Robert Lambie.
Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
Walter C. B. Christie.	Alexander Pillans.
Owen Coyle.	Gavin A. Shanks.
William L. Dyer.	Colonel King Stewart.
George Fraser.	William B. Thomson.

Mr. Fraser, Chairman of Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 4th February, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The minutes of the joint-committee appointed in connection with the proposed additions to and alterations of the Sheriff Court Houses at Airdrie, of date 21st January, 1914 (Appendix), which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, were submitted. *Minutes of joint-committee on Airdrie Sheriff Court Houses.*

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept book, amounting in all to £41,139 1s. 4d. were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept book being initialed by Mr. Dyer and Mr. Lambie. *Accounts and requisitions.*

The Clerk having raised the question of the method of passing accounts, and, having handed to each member a copy of the detailed entries in the Precept Book, and indicated alternative courses that might be adopted so as to bring the monthly transactions before each meeting in a summarised form, the meeting agreed that the present system should continue, but that at every meeting there should be handed to each member present an Abstract showing the total expenditure that was being passed. It was remitted to the Chairman and Clerk to adjust the form of Abstract. *Abstract showing total expenditure passed at meeting.—Members of Committee to be furnished with copy.*

Statement of Loan Indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following statement of loan indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Committee viz. :—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY, 1914.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,086,599	1 2
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	£45,530 0 0		
Loans repaid do., ...	19,645 0 0		
		25,885	0 0
		£1,112,484	1 2
Sums due to Bank on capital accounts, ...		17,208	11 1
		£1,129,692	12 3

The County Fund stands at £182,579 10s. 5d. to the credit made up as follows :—

On deposit receipt, ...	£150,000	0 0
On account current, ...	32,579	10 5
	£182,579	10 5

Certificate of amount on deposit receipt.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Statement of Collection of Assessments.

The Clerk also submitted the following statement of the collection of assessments, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Committee, viz. :—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1913-14 COMPARED WITH 1912-13 AS AT 27TH FEBRUARY.

Amount imposed, ...	£272,729	0 7
Amount collected, ...	269,046	4 1
being 98·65 per cent.		
Collected at same date last year, ...		
96·54 per cent.		

DETAILS OF AMOUNT COLLECTED.

County Clerk, Hamilton, ...	£75,105	6 7
Thos. Tennent, Glasgow, ...	74,117	10 5
W. D. Loudon, Hamilton, ...	70,215	17 1
James A. Russell, Airdrie, ...	21,099	12 11
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, ...	14,628	6 7
Robert M'Cowan, Strathaven, ...	9,017	8 9
W. B. Pairman, Biggar, ...	4,862	1 9
	£269,046	4 1

Note of outlays by Collectors of County Rates.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk submitted a detailed note of the outlays claimed by the Collectors of Rates for the current year, when, after consideration, the amounts were allowed as follows :—

W. B. Pairman, Biggar, - - - - -	£5	7	9
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, - - - - -	15	0	0
Robert M'Cowan, Strathaven, - - - -	12	0	0
James A. Russell, Airdrie, - - - - -	18	6	10
W. D. Loudon, Hamilton, - - - -	35	9	8
	£86	4	3

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water undertaking, viz.:—

No. 174 (new) dated 28th February, 1914, ...	£108	6	5
No. 179 (old) dated 28th February, 1914, ...	158	7	6

Government grants towards cost of Police pay and clothing.—Allocation.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the following statement showing the allocation of the grant received from Government towards the cost of police pay and clothing, for the year 1912-1913, viz.:—

	Expenditure.	Government Contribution.
Police, General Expenditure, ...	£2,136 0 7	£745 1 11
Do. Hamilton District, ...	11,087 6 8	3,846 11 3
Do. Motherwell do., ...	2,054 8 0	712 5 5
Do. Lanark do., ...	3,616 11 8	1,254 9 6
Do. Airdrie do., ...	5,048 12 11	1,751 11 8
Do. Lower Ward do., ...	5,686 19 5	1,972 9 11
Do. Clothing, ...	1,383 7 9	493 16 7
	£31,013 7 0	£10,776 6 3

being at the rate of 6/11·39 per £.

Proposal to acquire additional land adjoining Stonehouse Sanatorium.

There were submitted letters from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, relative to a proposal by the District Committee to acquire from Mr. R. L. Alston additional land adjoining Stonehouse Sanatorium. It was explained that as the Lease of the lands of Tofts (which immediately adjoin the present feu) expired at the term of Whitsunday next, it was considered that an endeavour should be made to obtain a feu of the ground, extending to about eleven acres, if this could be obtained at a reasonable feu-duty. Mr. Alston offered to feu the ground in question (including the farm buildings thereon) at the rate of £5 per acre on certain conditions. The District Committee recommend that the County Council should pay one-half of the expense of an application to the Court (which was necessary to enable the Trustees vested in the lands to carry out the transaction), not exceeding, say £25, provided the application were successful, and that the casualties payable from the grounds be redeemed. The meeting approved of the proposals of the District Committee, and authorised the County Clerk to have the transaction carried out.

Proposal to feu ground adjoining Longriggend Hospital.

There were submitted letters from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, relative to a proposal by the District Committee that the County Council should feu from Mrs. Jean W. Watt of Drumgray, plots of ground adjoining Longriggend Hospital, one to the south boundary of the present feu, extending to about 1·81 acres, the feu-duty to be at the rate of £4 per acre, and the other on the opposite side of the road forming the western boundary of the present feu, extending to about 1·8 acres, the feu-duty of which is to be nominal, and also to feu another small field to the south, extending to about 1·9 acres, at £4 per acre, and also to purchase the cottage situated thereon, at a cost of £120. The meeting approved of the proposals of the District Committee, and authorised the County Clerk to carry out the transaction.

Statement of capital expenditure made by Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company under Agreement between County Council and Company.

The Clerk submitted a statement of the capital expenditure made by the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Company during the period from 30th June, 1913, to 31st December, 1913, under the Agreement between the County Council and the Company scheduled to the Clyde Valley Electrical Power Provisional Order, 1913. The amount due, with interest, was £577 6s. 6d., and was passed for payment.

Applications relative to Borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the Committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of Capital Works, viz.:—

UPPER WARD.

£250 for forming a connection from the Wishaw Main pipe to the pipes in Kirkfieldbank Special Water District.

MIDDLE WARD.

(1) £430,000 for the construction of works authorised by the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Act, 1913.

(2) £45, being additional sum required to complete extension of piping to Sandford Village.

(3) £2,500 for the construction of new footpaths, for the year 1914-15.

(4) £160 for the construction of new sewer in Strathaven Special Drainage District.

(5) £34 for the substitution of gas lamps for oil lamps, and construction of new lamps in Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Lighting District.

(6) £1,600 for alterations on and additions to administrative block of Shotts Sanatorium.

(7) £5,930 (of which sum £3,440 is to be borrowed), for the construction of sewers and works in connection with Purification of Sewage from Baillieston Special Drainage District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications, and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and, in regard to item No. (3), subject also to the approval of the County Road Board. The Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

APPENDIX.

FOR PRIVATE USE ONLY.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

JOINT-COMMITTEE *re* AIRDRIE COURT HOUSES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 21st January, 1914, being a Joint-Meeting of Representatives of the Airdrie Court House Commissioners and of the Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee appointed in connection with the proposed additions to and alterations of the Sheriff Court Houses. 21st January, 1914.

Present—

Sheriff LEE. DAVID THOMSON.
DOUGALD RANKINE.

Attending—

J. DUNN RUSSELL, Clerk to the Sheriff Court House Commissioners.
JAMES THOMSON and ALEXANDER THOMSON, Architects.

Sheriff Lee in the chair. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the joint-committee, of date 1st October, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that, following upon the last meeting of the joint-committee, the sub-committee then appointed — consisting of Messrs. Thomson and Rankine, along with the Clerk to the Court House Commissioners, the Architects, and himself—had had a meeting with Mr. Oldrieve and Mr. Galletly, of H.M. Office of Works, at Edinburgh, on 6th October last, when explanations were made of the increase as between the amount of the original estimate and the amount of the actual offers received for the work, and also as to other points raised in Mr. Galletly's letter of 20th September, a copy of which is incorporated in the minutes. *Report of meeting with Mr. Oldrieve at Edinburgh.*

After an interchange of views, certain alterations and deductions were agreed to on the suggestion of Mr. Oldrieve, and it was decided that the offers, the acceptance of which had been recommended by the committee, should now be accepted so as to avoid any further increase consequent upon the rise in the price of materials, &c. *Deductions agreed to and offers to be accepted at once.*

The sub-committee, having elicited Mr. Oldrieve's views, agreed not to make use of the library wall, but suggested that, in consideration of the interference with the library light, either new lights should be put in at a moderate cost, or a contribution made to the Town Council in lieu thereof. *Question of lighting.*

Application to Treasury for increased contribution.—Reply received.

The Clerk reported that, following upon the meeting with Mr. Oldrieve he had made application to the Treasury through the Secretary for Scotland for an increase of the Government contribution towards the cost of the works, and he submitted the reply which he had received, which was in the following terms, viz.:—

"Scottish Office, Whitehall, S.W.,
"11th December, 1913.

"SIR,

"With reference to your letter of the 24th October, making application for an increased grant in respect of the provision of additional accommodation at Airdrie Sheriff Court House, I am directed by the Secretary for Scotland to transmit herewith, for the information of the County Council of Lanarkshire, copy of a letter (with relative enclosure), dated the 8th instant, from the Treasury, conveying the decision of the Lords Commissioners on the application.

"I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) "JAMES M. DODDS."

"Treasury Chambers,
"8th December, 1913.

"SIR,

"With reference to your letter of the 29th October last further on the subject of the provision of additional accommodation at Airdrie Sheriff Court House, I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith, for the information of the Secretary for Scotland, copy of an extract from a report which they have received from the First Commissioner of Works, dated the 2nd instant, on the proposal.

"My Lords concur in the terms of the report, and they accordingly sanction the payment of a moiety of the total cost, not exceeding Two thousand Four hundred and Twenty-five pounds (£2,425), subject to the work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Architect to the Board of Works and to the production of the receipted vouchers.

"I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) "T. L. HEATH.

"THE UNDER SECRETARY,
"Scottish Office."

"EXTRACT FROM A REPORT BY THE FIRST COMMISSIONER OF WORKS. Dated 2nd December.

The Board are advised by their Architect that items No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, and 9 are reasonable. As regards item 5, the existing safe doors are not fire-proof, and it is essential that the new doors should be constructed of fire-resisting material. The deduction of £50 mentioned in item 10 might be made, as it is not considered necessary that the doors should be burglar-proof. Item 6—This provision is regarded as unnecessary; and a deduction should be made in accordance with item 11.

2. The revised total estimate will now stand as follows:—

Amount as per Tenders, ...				£4,462	0 0
Add for Architect's and Measurer's fees and for Clerk of Works' salary, ...				479	0 0
Add for Bath in Caretaker's house not in Contract, but proposed to be added, ...				30	0 0
				£4,971	0 0
Deduct in respect of Safe Doors not being made burglar-proof, ...	£50	0	0		
Deduct from omission of inside hydrants and mains, ...	45	0	0		
Deduct from Painter Work Schedule, £26, for work chargeable to ordinary maintenance, ...	26	0	0		
				121	0 0
				£4,850	0 0"

The meeting agreed to acquiesce in the deductions indicated in the above communication.

Meeting approve of deductions as indicated in communication.

The Clerk submitted a certificate by the Architects for payment of £600 to Messrs. James Alexander & Son, contractors, being the first instalment in respect of digger, mason, and brick work. The meeting authorised payment of the amount.

Payment to Messrs. James Alexander & Son authorised.

With a view to avoiding the necessity of meetings of the joint-committee being called to authorise payments to Contractors, it was agreed that these, on being certified by the Architects, should be submitted to the Finance Committee of the County Council for authority to pay.

Future payments to be authorised by Finance Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 1st April, 1914, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of Lanark.

1st April, 1914.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
WILLIAM BARR.
Colonel BUCHANAN.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
WILLIAM L. DYER.
GEORGE FRASER.
NATHANIEL D. I. O. GOLD.
GAVIN HAMILTON.
ROBERT LAMBIE.
Colonel LOGAN.
A. D. MACK.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM SPEIRS.
Colonel KING STEWART.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
WILLIAM B. THOMSON.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Chairman.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 4th March, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed.

Accounts and Requisitions.

Accounts and requisitions, as per precept books, amounting in all to £81,623 14s. 5d., were laid before the meeting, and the same, having been examined, were passed for payment, the precept books being initialed by Mr. Lambie and Mr. Mack.

Abstract.

The Clerk submitted an abstract of the accounts and requisitions which he had prepared in accordance with the instructions of the committee, a copy of which was handed to each member present. The meeting approved of the form of abstract, and agreed that it should be appended to the minutes of the committee in a somewhat modified form (Appendix I.).

Statement of Loan Indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following Statement of Loan Indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 28TH MARCH 1914.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,112,484 1 2	
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£60,483 0 0		
Loans taken since last meeting, ...	5,096 5 0		
		55,386 15 0	
		£1,057,097 6 2	
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		41,991 0 9	
		£1,099,088 6 11	
The County Fund stands at	£90,940 17 1		
to the credit made up as follows:—			
On Deposit Receipt. ... £85,000 0 0			
On Account Current, ... 5,940 17 1			
	£90,940 17 1		

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Statement of Collection of Assessments.

The Clerk also submitted the following Statement of the Collection of Assessments, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

STATEMENT OF THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1913-14, COMPARED WITH 1912-13 AS AT CLOSE OF COLLECTION (16TH MARCH).

	1913-14.	Percentage.	1912-13.	Percentage.
Collected, ...	£270,403 11 8	99·17	£243,932 15 7	98·57
Relief, &c., granted, ...	605 19 5	·23	576 17 1	·23
Arrears under recovery,	1,649 2 6	·60	2,971 9 8	1·20
Imposed, ...	£272,658 13 7	100·00	£247,481 2 4	100·00

DETAILS OF AMOUNT COLLECTED FOR 1913-14.

County Clerk, Hamilton, ...	£76,233 19 7
Thos. Tennent, Glasgow, ...	74,346 1 1
W. D. Loudon, Hamilton, ...	70,216 1 1
James A. Russell, Airdrie, ...	21,099 12 11
A. W. Paterson, Lanark, ...	14,628 6 7
Robert M'Cowan, Strathaven,...	9,017 8 8
W. B. Pairman, Biggar, ...	4,862 1 9
	£270,403 11 8

Report by County Auditor.

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk laid upon the table report by the County Auditor confirming the figures set forth in the foregoing statement.

Statement of Arrears of Assessments.

There was laid before the meeting a Statement of the Arrears of Assessments for the year 1912-13, which was as follows:—

ARREARS RECOVERED, 1912-1913.

Outstanding at close of collection of 1912-13, ...	£2,824 12 9
Recovered, ...	2,309 19 10
Leaving to be written off as irrecoverable, ...	£514 12 11

being ·229 or 4s. 6d. per cent. of amount imposed.

Written off as irrecoverable previous year, £2,624 2s. 11d., being 1·16 or £1 3s. 2d. per cent. of amount imposed.

The Clerk was authorised to strike out of his books all arrears outstanding from the assessments of 1912-13, leaving them, however, still open for recovery.

The meeting expressed their satisfaction at the gratifying results of the collection of the assessments and of the recovery of the arrears.

Arrears of Assessments. — Jerviston Square.

The Clerk reported that the assessments levied in respect of Jerviston Square, Parish of Bothwell, were in arrears to the extent of one-half, and, having explained the difficulty in connection with the sale of the property, and the claims of the factor on the small balance in the Factor's hands, the meeting, after discussion, agreed, by a majority, to leave the matter in the hands of the Clerk with power to him to make some abatement to the factor in respect of the special circumstances of the case.

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz.:—

No. 175 (new), dated 28th March, 1914—£292 4s. 2d.

No. 180 (old), dated 28th March, 1914—£202 18s. 9d.

Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913.—Form of Requisition.

There was submitted a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 3rd March, 1914, with reference to the borrowing of the sum required for the works authorised by the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913, and the meeting, after consideration, remitted to the Clerk to adjust, with the District Clerk, a form of Requisition for the use of the District Committee in drawing upon the Capital Account.

Housing of the Working Classes.—Proposed erection of houses at Raploch, Larkhall.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 4th February last, with regard to the proposed erection of houses at Raploch, Larkhall, under the Houses of the Working Classes Act, the Clerk stated that he had communicated with the Clerk to the District Committee on the subject, and he now laid before the meeting a revised statement of estimated receipts and expenditure, showing that the rent to be charged in respect of each of the two houses was £13 10s., and that it was intended that the loan (£448) should be repaid by instalments of principal and interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. to be spread over a period of sixty years, and other details of expenditure.

The meeting, after further consideration, agreed to recommend the County Council to borrow the necessary money required to meet the cost of the erection of the houses in question, and that the loan should be spread over a period of sixty years, but it was agreed to continue for further consideration the question as to the incidence of the rate.

Housing of the Working Classes.—Proposed erection of houses at Cleland and Harthill.

There were submitted letters from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward relative to proposals by the District Committee to erect workmen's houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Act at (1) Cleland, and (2) Harthill, together with relative plans. The meeting, after consideration,

delayed further consideration of the proposals, and agreed that a Special Meeting of the Committee be called for next Wednesday, 8th current, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. to resume consideration of the matter. The Clerk was meantime instructed to prepare a Memorandum on the subject, and to send a copy of it to each member of the committee before the meeting.

Mr. Thomas Gillespie, Surveyor, Hamilton 1st Division, appointed Surveyor for Aberdeenshire.

There was submitted a letter from the Assistant Secretary and Comptroller, Inland Revenue, Edinburgh, dated 21st March, 1914, intimating that the Board of Inland Revenue had decided to appoint Mr. Thomas Gillespie, presently Surveyor for the Hamilton 1st Division, to be Surveyor for Aberdeenshire, and that Mr. D. Cram, presently Surveyor for part of Lanarkshire, had been appointed to succeed Mr. Gillespie at Hamilton.

Agreed to recommend that Mr. Cram, Mr. Gillespie's successor, be appointed Assessor under Lands Valuation and Registration of Voters Acts.

The meeting agreed to recommend to the County Council that Mr. Cram be appointed Assessor under the Lands Valuation and Registration of Voters Acts in succession to Mr. Gillespie.

Mr. S. H. Francis appointed Assessor under Registration of Voters Acts for small portions of Govan and Partick Parliamentary Divisions.

Following on Mr. Cram's transference, Mr. S. H. Francis was appointed Assessor under the Registration of Voters Acts for these small portions of the Govan and Partick Parliamentary Divisions still left in the County.

Statement showing allocation of Grant received under the Agricultural Rates, &c. (Scotland) Act, for year 1913-14.

The Clerk laid before the meeting a Statement (Appendix II.) showing the Allocation of the Grant received under the Agricultural Rates, &c. (Scotland) Act for the year 1913-14.

Equivalent Grant. — Application by Glasgow Veterinary College for contribution.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Glasgow Veterinary College, making application for a grant towards the revenue fund of the institution, and expressing a desire that the amount of the grant might be increased. The meeting, having considered the matter, agreed to recommend that the same contribution as last year, viz., 75 guineas, be made out of next year's Equivalent Grant, subject to the consent of the Secretary for Scotland being obtained.

Claim by Carron Company for owner's allowance under House Letting Act.— Special case to First Division of Court of Session.

Under reference to the minutes of the Committee, of date 14th February, with regard to the claim of the Carron Company for the owner's allowance under the House Letting Act in respect of occupiers' rates of their workmen's houses, the Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. John C. Brodie & Sons, dated 24th March, 1914, enclosing memorandum for the Carron Company as to the proposed special case to the First Division of the Court of Session, and suggesting that the County Assessor, for his interests, should be made a party to the case, and of this the meeting approved.

Statement shewing amount of Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant.

The Clerk submitted the following statement, shewing the amount of the Tuberculosis Maintenance Grant received to 31st March, 1914, viz.:—

	1 In respect of period 15th July, 1912, to 31st March, 1913.	2 In respect of year to 31st March, 1914, to Account.
County—In respect of Bacteriological Laboratory and Medical Officers' Salaries,	£377 9 0	£714 0 0
Upper Ward, ...	185 2 8	120 0 0
Middle Ward, ...	2,412 14 11	2,880 0 0
Lower Ward, ...	222 11 11	73 0 0
	*£3,197 18 6	£3,787 0 0

**Note.*—The above sums are one-half of the expenditure audited and adjusted by the Local Government Board.

Balance sheet of County Accounts.

The Clerk laid upon the table the balance sheet of the County Accounts for the year 1912-13, which had been prepared in accordance with the instructions of the Secretary for Scotland. The Clerk stated that the balance sheet had been examined and found correct by the County Auditor.

Equivalent Grant.—Quarry adjoining Cambuslang Electric Lighting and Refuse Destruction Works.

The Clerk reported that the Cambuslang Electric Lighting, &c., Committee had resolved to apply for a contribution from the Equivalent Grant towards the cost of filling up a quarry adjoining the works at Cambuslang, where several drowning accidents had taken place, and he stated that the committee had done everything in the way of fencing that could be done, but that they had come to the conclusion that it would be advisable, in the public interest, to have the quarry filled up. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to recommend the County Council to make a contribution from next year's Equivalent Grant, but delayed fixing the amount of the contribution until the cost of the work had been definitely ascertained.

Bishopbriggs Police and Fire Station.—Recommendation as to acceptance of Offers.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of date 3rd September, 1913, and, in accordance with the resolution of the County Council, the Clerk submitted recommendation by the Standing Joint Committee as to the acceptance of the following offers in connection with the erection of the new Police and Fire Station at Bishopbriggs, viz.:—

Mason work—David Allan, ...	£3,161 8 10
Wright work—Robert Kemp & Sons, ...	1,306 15 9
Slater work—John M'Ouat & Son, ...	157 13 0
Plumber work—David B. Russell.	589 8 8½
*Plaster work—A. Williamson, ...	518 16 7
Tile work—Robert Brown & Sons, Ltd., ...	238 1 10
Painter work—J. & J. Stirling, ...	164 14 7½
Electric Light—J. W. Torrance, ...	198 6 5
Heating apparatus—Bernard Tomlinson, ...	60 0 11½
Hose Tower—J. M'Gregor & Co., ...	54 15 0

* Accepted conditional upon Architect being satisfied, after inquiries.

The meeting, after consideration, approved of the proposal of the Standing Joint-Committee, above set forth, and resolved to recommend the County Council accordingly.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

UPPER WARD.

£300 for making connection from Motherwell water-pipe to Roadmeetings Hospital.

MIDDLE WARD.

£130 for the purchase of property in connection with the County Sanatorium at Longriggend.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and instructed the Clerk to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS PASSED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE EACH MONTH FOR PAYMENT BY THE COUNTY TREASURER.

Month of	Loans.	Requisitions by District Committees.	Salaries.	County General.	General Purposes including Police Burghs	Suspense Account.	General purposes (out-with Police Burghs).	Public Health, County.	Diseases of Animals.	Fire Brigade.	Cambuslang Electric Lighting.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
June, ...													
July, ...													
August, ...													
September, ...													
October, ...													
November, ...													
December, ...													
January, ...													
February, ...													
March, ...													
April, ...	59,617 10 5	15,036 9 7	1,274 12 4	59 15 6	36 12 9	39 10 6	0 3 11	119 4 3	115 16 4	136 0 2	143 19 11	*5,043 18 9	81,623 14 5
May, ...													
Total, ...													

* Lanark District Lunacy Assessment—

To account of *quota* of Assessment, ...	£4,000 0 0
Rates—	
Collectors' Remuneration and Expenses, ...	506 0 1
Other Accounts, ...	537 18 8
	£5,043 18 9

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

AGRICULTURAL RATES, &c. (SCOTLAND) ACT.

STATEMENT SHOWING ALLOCATION OF GRANT RECEIVED UNDER ABOVE ACT FOR 1913-14.

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Police—Airdrie District,	£88 13 6	£49 1 2	£39 12 4	...
Do. Hamilton District,	298 5 11	149 0 3	149 5 8	...
Do. Lower Ward District,	12 5 5	40 9 6	...	£28 4 1
Do. Motherwell District,	0 3 9	...	0 3 9	...
Do. Upper Ward District,	190 1 7	103 12 8	86 8 11	...
County General Assessment—South,	168 16 5	114 1 2	54 15 3	...
Do. do. North,	16 15 10	11 0 9	5 15 1	...
Registration of Voters,	48 6 0	27 11 11	20 14 1	...
Valuation,	...	48 8 11	...	48 8 11
Glasgow Lunacy District,	20 1 3	...	20 1 3	...
Govan do.,	...	6 14 11	...	6 14 11
Lanark do.,	694 6 4	417 12 1	276 14 3	...
Diseases of Animals,	75 17 9	13 9 10	62 7 11	...
General Purposes,	241 8 5	82 15 8	158 12 9	...
Glasgow Sheriff Court Houses,	...	1 16 10	...	1 16 10
Hamilton Do. do.,	7 1 2	...	7 1 2	...
Highways—Upper Ward,	2,476 10 9	1,227 13 4	1,248 17 5	...
Do. Middle Ward,	1,876 6 4	1,591 18 5	284 7 11	..
Do. Lower Ward,	310 0 8	348 18 5	...	38 17 9
Public Health—Upper Ward,	607 9 1	168 12 9	438 16 4	...
Do. Middle Ward,	1,266 10 4	310 5 9	956 4 7	...
Do. Lower Ward,	135 12 8	190 1 11	...	54 9 3
UPPER WARD.				
Blackwood Water,	23 5 8	...	23 5 8	...
Braidwood Water,	13 7 9	...	13 7 9	...
Carluke Water,	7 7 0	10 8 6	...	3 1 6
Do. Drainage,	1 15 9	1 4 6	0 11 3	...
Do. Lighting,	2 18 1	...	2 18 1	...
Do. Scavenging,	1 11 3	...	1 11 3	...
Carnwath Water,	2 9 1	...	2 9 1	...
Do. Drainage,	2 14 2	...	2 14 2	...
Crawford Water,	2 4 0	0 12 3	1 11 9	...
Crosslaw Drainage,	2 15 9	4 5 10	...	1 10 1
Do. Lighting,	1 4 4	...	1 4 4	...
Douglas Water,	0 13 9	...	0 13 9	...
Do. Drainage,	1 0 8	3 13 7	...	2 12 11
Do. Lighting,	1 0 8	...	1 0 8	...
Do. Scavenging,	1 19 7	...	1 19 7	...
Forth Water,	19 6 10	...	19 6 10	...
Kirkfieldbank Water,	3 11 9	..	3 11 9	...
Law Water,	4 3 10	12 5 3	...	8 1 5
Do. Drainage,	5 11 10	2 9 1	3 2 9	...
Leadhills Scavenging,	0 2 3	...	0 2 3	..
Lesmahagow Water,	67 18 8	12 17 7	55 1 1	...
Do. Drainage,	2 7 8	1 16 9	0 10 11	...
Do. Lighting,	2 7 8	...	2 7 8	...
Do. Scavenging,	2 7 8	...	2 7 8	...
Roberton Water,	7 3 10	...	7 3 10	...
Symington Water,	13 1 7	...	13 1 7	..
Thankerton Water,	3 11 9	...	3 11 9	...
Do. Drainage,	1 9 11	...	1 9 11	...
MIDDLE WARD.				
Middle Ward Water—Public Rate,	534 8 3	406 11 4	127 16 11	...
Do. Domestic Rate,	61 1 7	10 8 6	50 13 1	...
Aitkenhead and Tannochside Drainage,	0 6 4	...	0 6 4	...
Do. do. Lighting,	0 10 6	...	0 10 6	...
Baillieston Drainage,	0 18 2	0 12 3	0 5 11	...
Do. Lighting,	0 19 2	..	0 19 2	...
Do. Scavenging,	1 18 4	...	1 18 4	...
Bellshill Drainage,	2 11 11	0 12 3	1 19 8	...
Carry forward,	£9,337 0 2	£5,371 3 11	£4,159 13 11	£193 17 8

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Brought forward,... ...	£9,337 0 2	£5,371 3 11	£4,159 13 11	£193 17 8
Bellshill and Mossend Lighting, ...	0 17 3	...	0 17 3	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 9 2	...	3 9 2	...
Do. Electric Lighting,	0 8 4	...	0 8 4	...
Blantyre Drainage, ...	3 8 6	1 4 6	2 4 0	...
Do. Lighting, ...	3 11 3	...	3 11 3	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	5 2 10	...	5 2 10	...
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 7 1	...	0 7 1	...
Bothwell Drainage, ...	1 2 7	...	1 2 7	...
Do. Lighting, ...	2 1 10	...	2 1 10	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 13 10	...	2 13 10	...
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 17 11	...	0 17 11	...
Bothwell Park Lighting, ...	0 2 4	...	0 2 4	...
Busby Drainage, ...	2 12 11	...	2 12 11	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 11 7	...	0 11 7	...
Calderbank Lighting, ...	0 0 9	...	0 0 9	...
Cambuslang Drainage, ...	3 5 1	2 9 1	0 16 0	...
Do. Lighting.	3 6 11	...	3 6 11	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	5 5 3	...	5 5 3	...
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	1 12 7	...	1 12 7	...
Carfin and Cleekhimin Drainage, ...	0 2 3	...	0 2 3	...
Carmyle Lighting, ...	0 5 9	...	0 5 9	...
Carmyle and Mount Vernon Scavenging,	2 0 6	...	2 0 6	...
Chapelhall Drainage, ...	0 6 1	...	0 6 1	...
Cleland and Omoa Drainage, ...	0 11 9	...	0 11 9	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 3 10	...	0 3 10	...
Dalzell and Netherton Drainage, ...	1 14 5	...	1 14 5	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 11 6	...	0 11 6	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 8 7	...	0 8 7	...
East Kilbride Drainage, ...	3 5 10	...	3 5 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 0 7	...	1 0 7	...
Gartlea Lighting, ...	0 1 8	...	0 1 8	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 1 8	...	0 1 8	...
Glengowan and Caldercruix Lighting,	0 6 4	...	0 6 4	...
Hamilton Road Drainage, ...	0 1 11	...	0 1 11	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 1 11	...	0 1 11	...
Holytown Drainage, ...	0 2 8	...	0 2 8	...
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Lighting, ...	0 9 11	...	0 9 11	...
Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Scavenging, ...	1 2 9	...	1 2 9	...
Larkhall Drainage, ...	2 13 9	2 9 1	0 4 8	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 3 5	...	1 3 5	...
Mount Vernon Drainage, ...	2 14 5	6 14 11	...	4 0 6
Newarthill Lighting, ...	0 7 2	...	0 7 2	...
Newmains Drainage, ...	0 2 10	...	0 2 10	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 1 7	...	0 1 7	...
Newton and Flemington Drainage, ...	0 17 1	...	0 17 1	...
North Mount Vernon Lighting, ...	0 13 2	...	0 13 2	...
Salsburgh Scavenging, ...	0 1 5	...	0 1 5	...
Shotts and Dykehead Drainage, ...	0 10 3	...	0 10 3	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 6 6	...	0 6 6	...
Stonehouse Drainage, ...	0 6 9	...	0 6 9	...
Do. Lighting, ...	0 11 7	...	0 11 7	...
Strathaven Drainage, ...	4 1 8	...	4 1 8	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 9 8	...	1 9 8	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 14 10	...	0 14 10	...
Uddingston Drainage, ...	1 13 11	...	1 13 11	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 6 9	...	1 6 9	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	3 6 11	...	3 6 11	..
Do. Electric Lighting, ...	0 17 10	...	0 17 10	...
LOWER WARD.				
Barony Drainage (North), ...	2 10 8	17 15 8	...	15 5 0
Do. (South), ...	1 1 7	...	1 1 7	...
Bishopbriggs Lighting, ...	0 13 0	...	0 13 0	...
Bishopbriggs and Auchenairn Drainage,	9 2 1	...	9 2 1	...
Do. Scavenging,	1 15 10	...	1 15 10	...
Carmunnock Drainage, ...	2 19 5	1 4 6	1 14 11	...
Chryston and Muirhead Drainage, ...	6 12 8	...	6 12 8	...
Do. Lighting, ...	1 17 5	...	1 17 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	1 5 5	...	1 5 5	...
Carry forward, ...	£9,442 17 8	£5,403 1 8	£4,252 19 2	£213 3 2

	Abatements allowed by County Council.	Government Grant.	Deficit.	Surplus.
Brought forward, ...	£9,442 17 8	£5,403 1 8	£4,252 19 2	£213 3 2
Glasgow Sewage Purification Area (Glasgow),	7 1 10	...	7 1 10	...
Do. do. do. (Rutherglen),	10 12 0	...	10 12 0	...
Lambhill Lighting, ...	0 10 6	...	0 10 6	...
Millerston and Stepps Lighting, ...	2 1 4	...	2 1 4	...
North Cadder Water	106 11 5	...	106 11 5	...
North Shettleston Lighting, ...	0 8 4	4 5 11	...	3 17 7
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 15 3	...	0 15 3	...
Do. Electric Lighting,	0 2 1	...	0 2 1	...
Rutherglen Drainage, ...	5 17 6	...	5 17 6	...
Do. Lighting, ...	4 6 5	...	4 6 5	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	2 7 9	...	2 7 9	...
South Cadder Water, ...	110 3 11	...	110 3 11	...
South Lenzie Water, ...	1 6 4	3 1 4	...	1 15 0
Do. Drainage, ...	2 4 0	7 7 2	...	5 3 2
Do. Lighting, ...	1 1 3	...	1 1 3	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 14 2	...	0 14 2	...
Stepps Drainage, ...	1 13 4	...	1 13 4	...
Do. Scavenging, ...	0 5 8	...	0 5 8	..
	£9,701 0 9	£5,417 16 1	£4,507 3 7	£223 18 11
			223 18 11	
			£4,283 4 8	

SUMMARY.

Total Abatements, ...	£9,701 0 9
Total Grant, ...	5,417 16 1
Deficit, ...	£4,283 4 8

In other words, the Government Grant is equivalent to 11s. 2d. per £ of the abatements made by the County Council. Last year it was equal to 11s. 7d. per £.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNT OF GRANTS RECEIVED AND ABATEMENTS ALLOWED SINCE THE PASSING OF THE ACT OF 1896.

	Abatements allowed by County Council	Government Grant.	Net Deficiency.	Net Deficiency per £.
1897-98, ...	£5,888 4 4	£4,881 1 4	£1,007 3 0	£0 3 3
1898-99, ...	6,010 12 5	4,868 8 6	1,142 3 11	0 3 8
1899-1900, ...	6,591 7 5	5,482 17 9	1,108 9 8	0 3 4½
1900-01, ...	6,750 3 1	5,372 12 6	1,377 10 7	0 4 1
1901-02, ...	7,139 14 5	5,415 13 2	1,724 1 3	0 4 10
1902-03, ...	7,495 14 9	5,446 5 0	2,049 9 9	0 5 6
1903-04, ...	7,534 3 2	5,429 4 7	2,104 18 7	0 5 7
1904-05, ...	7,417 14 2	5,434 18 0	1,982 16 2	0 5 4
1905-06, ...	7,433 5 6	5,423 15 9	2,009 9 9	0 5 5
1906-07, ...	7,683 1 9	5,430 5 11	2,252 15 10	0 5 10
1907-08, ...	7,704 17 10	5,424 6 9	2,280 11 1	0 5 11
1908-09, ...	8,184 15 9	5,428 13 8	2,756 2 1	0 6 9
1909-10, ...	7,914 12 11	5,427 18 5	2,486 14 6	0 6 3½
1910-11, ...	8,327 5 4	5,421 0 9	2,906 4 7	0 7 0
1911-12, ...	8,738 9 6	5,425 16 3	3,312 13 3	0 7 7
1912-13, ...	9,346 13 10	5,424 16 7	3,921 17 3	0 8 5
1913-14, ...	9,701 0 9	5,417 16 1	4,283 4 8	0 8 10
	£129,861 16 11	£91,155 11 0	£38,706 5 11	£0 5 11½

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

8th April, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 8th April, 1914. being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.	ROBERT LAMBIE.
WILLIAM BARR.	Colonel LOGAN.
Colonel BUCHANAN.	A. D. MACK.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.	ALEXANDER PILLANS.
OWEN COYLE.	ROBERT SHARP.
WILLIAM L. DYER.	Colonel KING STEWART.
GEORGE FRASER.	WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
GAVIN HAMILTON.	W. B. THOMSON.

THOMAS WATT.

Chairman.

Mr. George Fraser, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 1st April, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were laid before the meeting.

Arrears of Assessments.—Jerviston Square.

Mr. Coyle having directed attention to the paragraph in the minutes relating to arrears of assessments in respect of property at Jerviston Square, Parish of Bothwell, stated that he desired that the amendment moved by him and seconded by Mr. Lambie, that no abatement be made to the factor, should be recorded.

This having been agreed to, the minutes were approved of and signed.

Housing of the Working Classes Act.—Proposed erection of houses at Cleland and Harthill.

Under reference to the minutes of last meeting, the Clerk again laid before the committee the following papers relating to the proposals by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for the erection at Cleland and Harthill of workmen's houses, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, viz.:—

(1) Letter from the Clerk to the District Committee, of date 28th March, 1914 (Appendix I.);

(2) Prints of proceedings at Inquiries at (a) Cleland, and (b) Harthill, containing also reports by sub-committees, copies of which had been sent to each member of the committee prior to the date of last meeting; and

(3) Plans of the houses proposed to be erected at the places named.

The Clerk also submitted explanatory memorandum (Appendix II.) which he had prepared in accordance with instructions given at last meeting, and of which he had sent a copy to each member of the committee. *Explanatory memorandum.*

The Clerk stated that since the date of last meeting he had written to the District Clerk enquiring whether the District Committee had any further information to submit, and particularly if they had selected the sites of the proposed houses, and he submitted the following reply, viz.:—

"District Offices,
"Hamilton, 6th April, 1914.

DEAR SIR,

"HOUSING AT CLELAND AND HARTHILL.

"I am favoured with your letter of the 4th instant, in connection with this matter. I regret, however, that I shall not be in a position to send you any further information in connection with the proposals before the meeting of your committee on Wednesday first. The District Sub-Committee visited suggested sites on Friday afternoon last, and while they were able to condescend more particularly on what might be suitable sites for the proposed houses, they desired to have further information from the owners with respect to the position of the mineral workings and the terms of feu or purchase. I am accordingly communicating with the owners.

Yours faithfully,

"W. E. WHYTE,
"*District Clerk.*"

The meeting having proceeded to consider the proposals of the District Committee, Mr. W. B. Thomson moved that the matter be continued for further consideration, which was seconded by Mr. Dyer. *Motion by Mr. W. B. Thomson that matter be continued for further consideration.*

The Chairman moved, by way of amendment, that the committee approve of the schemes submitted by the District Committee of the Middle Ward, which was seconded by Colonel King Stewart. *Amendment by Chairman that Committee approve of schemes.*

The question having been raised as to whether Mr. Dyer, being a burgh member, had a right to act and vote in the matter, Mr. Watt agreed to second Mr. Thomson's motion, and his name was substituted for that of Mr. Dyer.

After discussion, Mr. Coyle moved that the vote be taken by calling over the names of the members present, which was seconded by Mr, Lambie. *Motion by Mr. Coyle that vote be taken by calling over names of members present.*

This motion, however, fell, having failed to obtain the support of one-fourth of the members present, as required by the Standing Orders.

The vote was thereafter taken by way of a show of hands, with the result that eight voted for Mr. Thomson's motion and eight for the Chairman's amendment, the Chairman having disallowed a vote given by Mr. Dyer for Mr. Thomson's motion. The Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of the amendment, and declared the same to be carried. *Amendment by Chairman carried.*

The meeting accordingly approved of the proposals of the District Committee of the Middle Ward for the erection of workmen's houses at Cleland and Harthill, in so far as the rights and interests of the County Council as a Local Authority under the Housing of the Working Classes Act were concerned, and agreed to recommend that the authority of the County Council should be interponed thereto, and resolved accordingly. *Approval of proposals.*

The meeting at the same time agreed to continue for further consideration the question of the incidence of the rate to be charged with any deficiency that might arise in connection with either of the schemes referred to, and also the question of the period over which the loan in each case should be spread.

APPENDIX I.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

DISTRICT OF THE MIDDLE WARD.

District Offices,
Hamilton, 28th March, 1914.

Dear Sir,

HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES.

Housing at Cleland.

I have to inform you that the District Committee at their meeting yesterday adopted a Report by their Housing Sub-Committee, recommending the erection of 50 Workmen's Dwellings at Cleland, and I have been directed to advise you accordingly, and to send you, as I now do, a copy of that Report. You are probably aware that some time ago the Local Authority held a Local Inquiry in Cleland, with regard to the housing conditions there, and they have since had similar inquiries in other districts within the Middle Ward. The evidence brought out at Cleland is summarised in the Sub-Committee's Report to which is also attached the full text of the Proceedings at the Inquiry, and a copy of a Report by mining engineers as to the probable life of the mineral coal-fields in the district.

I hope to be able to let you have information as to the site proposed for the houses and the other necessary data in the course of a few days.

Housing at Harthill.

I also send you a print of the sub-committee's report in connection with Harthill housing recommending that 100 workmen's dwellings should be erected in the Harthill district. This report was adopted by the District Committee at their meeting yesterday, and, as in the case of Cleland, I hope to be able to send you full information as to the site, &c., within the next few days.

If you wish to have copies of the reports for the use of your members, I could send you a supply.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) W. E. WHYTE.

P.S.—I annex, for your information, excerpt from the minutes of meeting of the Housing Committee, of date 11th March, regarding the Cleland proposals which was approved of by the District Committee. The excerpt from the minutes of the Housing Committee dealing with the Harthill proposals, of date 26th March, is in similar terms. W. E. W.

(Annexation referred to.)

The minutes of meeting of sub-committee with reference to the erection of houses for the working classes, &c., of date 6th March, which had been printed, and of which a copy had been sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, and the same having been held as read, were, after full discussion with respect to the proposals therein set forth for the erection of houses for the working classes in the Cleland district, unanimously approved of.

It was thereupon agreed, after hearing the Clerk as to the provisions of Section 53 (5) and (6) of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, to recommend that the necessary steps should now be taken for obtaining the requisite approval of the sub-committee's proposals with respect to the erection of houses in the Cleland district, and for a loan to meet the estimated cost, on the security of the Public Health General Assessment leviable over the whole Middle Ward District.

APPENDIX II.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES ACTS.

HOUSING AND TOWN PLANNING, &c., ACT, 1909.

CLELAND AND HARTHILL HOUSING SCHEMES.

MEMORANDUM explanatory of the Position in relation to the Schemes under the above Acts.

These Acts apply to England as well as to Scotland, and it is therefore necessary when considering their provisions to keep in view the difference that exists between the systems of Local Government in the respective countries.

Putting the situation broadly, County Councils in England are not Authorities under the Public Health Acts, and as regards the Housing Acts their powers as Local Authorities are strictly defined, and only emerge in certain eventualities. The Executive Authorities, as regards all matters, including rating (by precept), borrowing, and the acquiring and holding of land, are the Urban and Rural District Councils.

In Scotland, on the other hand, the County Council and the District Committee are both, for their respective rights and interests, Local Authorities under the Acts referred to.

The area of each District is the unit of administration, and in that unit there is what may, for want of a more appropriate expression, be called a "unitary" Authority, that is, the County Council and the District Committee.

Leaving out of account certain other Public Health functions which the County Council may in certain circumstances exercise, they are the sole Authority in all matters relating to (*a*) rating, (*b*) borrowing, and (*c*) the acquiring or holding of land. Accordingly, no scheme which involves the raising of money by rate or loan or the acquiring or holding of land can proceed without the intervention of the County Council.

The distinction between the systems of Local Government in vogue in England and Scotland respectively explains to some extent the difference in the application of the Housing Acts in the two countries.

In England the County Council may direct the attention of the Local Government Board to any dereliction of duty on the part of a Rural Sanitary Authority in regard to the provision of housing accommodation for the working classes, and on such representation the Local Government Board may make an Order on the Rural District Council.

In Scotland the County Council, although a Local Authority are such only in respect of certain matters, and they cannot therefore by themselves initiate schemes for housing. They are, however, authorised, as are the Parish Council, Landward Committee, or any four householders, to represent to the Local Government Board against any alleged failure on the part of a Local Authority to take action under the Acts. On such representation the Local Government Board after inquiry may, with the approval of the Lord Advocate, apply to the Court of Session, who are authorised to do therein as shall appear to be just. This can only mean that the Court may make an Order directing the Local Authority to proceed to make the necessary provision of housing accommodation, &c. As has already been said, the County Council is the Local Authority in respect of the acquisition or holding of land, and as houses cannot be provided except land is acquired, it would necessarily follow that any Order of the Court would fail unless it were directed against the County Council as well as the District Committee concerned.

The position of the County Council and of the District Committee under the Acts seems to be quite clear, and if any doubt exists as to the limitation of the powers conferred on each of these Authorities, it can be set at rest by putting the simple question, "Can either of these bodies, acting independently of the other, carry out a housing scheme?" The answer, of course, is in the negative. In the one case the County Council could not initiate a housing scheme, and in the other case the District Committee could not carry out a scheme, which they may have initiated, unless in conjunction with the County Council.

While, however, the legal and statutory position is clear, it is entirely a matter in the discretion of the County Council as to when and how far it may be necessary for them to interpose their authority. As the system of Public Health administration permits of executive officers, such as the County Medical Officer, being an official of both Authorities, it has been found possible to avoid any necessity for separate and independent action during the various stages of schemes of common interest. It has accordingly been the practice, for reasons of convenience, for the District Committees to take into consideration all questions affecting any scheme which involves ultimately the borrowing of money or the acquisition of land, leaving it to the County Council to consider the scheme when formulated as a whole, and, if they approve, to interpose their authority, and subsequently to carry out their specific duties of acquiring the necessary land, and finding the money either by rating or borrowing.

There are now submitted to the County Council two schemes for the provision of housing under the Acts referred to. Except that the actual sites (of which there are several available) of the proposed houses have not yet been finally determined on, the schemes are complete, and are exhaustively explained in the papers which have been submitted to the District Committee, and which have been circulated amongst the members of the Finance Committee.

Under those schemes the County Council are required to provide the necessary land for the erection of the houses, and to borrow and levy rates for the cost thereof. It also falls on them to determine the period (not exceeding 80 years) within which the loans shall be repaid, and the incidence of the rates, *i.e.*, whether they shall be imposed over the whole District of the Middle Ward, or confined to parts thereof to be specified by the County Council.

In considering the matter, it should not be overlooked that there is not now in Scotland, as there is in England, any specific direction as to the considerations which should be had in view in determining the question as to whether a housing scheme should be provided by the Local Authority.

In England, the Local Government Board, in considering whether an Order should be made on a Local Authority under the Housing, &c., Acts, are directed to "take into consideration the necessity for further accommodation for the housing of the working classes in such district; the probability that the required accommodation will not be otherwise provided, and the other circumstances of the case; and whether, having regard to the liability which will be incurred by the rates, it is prudent for the Local Authority to undertake the provision of such accommodation."

The absence of such directions leaves to the Local Authorities in Scotland a discretion which, in effect, gives them a free hand if they move on their own initiative, though doubtless the principles laid down are what Local Authorities will in general have regard to.

These principles, in effect, provide that (*a*) if housing accommodation is deficient, (*b*) if it cannot be provided by private enterprise, and (*c*) if its provision by the Local Authority can be effected without an undue demand on the ratepayers, it is in the discretion of the Local Authority, having regard to all the circumstances, to make the provision. The circumstances other than those specified which should weigh with the Local Authority, such as the question of the permanence of the demand for housing in the particular localities, the convenience of the workers, &c., are fully discussed in the papers which have been circulated.

As regards the financial aspect, which most directly concerns the County Council, reference is made to the statements appearing respectively on page 9 of the Memorandum as to the scheme for Cleland, and on page 7 of the Memorandum as to the scheme for Harthill.

The following is a summary of the financial statement:—

I.—CLELAND SCHEME.

50 houses of different types. Estimated cost, £10,729.

NOTE OF APPROXIMATE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Revenue.

Rents—			
24 houses at weekly rent of 5s. each (£13 per annum), ...		£312 0 0	
14 do. do. 5s. 3d. each (£13 13s. per annum), ...		191 2 0	
12 do. do. 5s. 3d. each (£13 13s. per annum), ...		163 16 0	
		£666 18 0	

Expenditure.

Repayment of Loan—60 annual payments (inclusive of interest at 3½ per cent.) of, ...	£430 3 3	
Feu-duty, ...	36 0 0	
Rates and taxes, ...	139 4 2	
Insurance (1s. 6d. per cent. on £6,600), ...	4 19 0	
Supervision and collection of rents, &c. (3 per cent.), ...	19 0 0	
Repairs and maintenance (5 per cent.), ...	33 0 0	
		662 6 5
Estimated surplus revenue, ...		£4 11 7

II.—HARTHILL SCHEME.

100 houses of different types. Estimated cost, £20,854.

NOTE OF ESTIMATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Revenue.

Rents—74 houses at weekly rent of 5s.					(£13	0	0 per annum),		£962 0 0
14	,,	,,	5s. 3d.		(£13	13	0 ,,),	...	191 2 0
12	,,	,,	5s. 3d.		(£13	13	0 ,,),	...	163 16 0
									£1,316 18 0

Expenditure.

Repayment of Loan—60 annual payments (inclusive of interest at 3½ per cent.), of	£836	2	3	
Feu-duty, ...	54	0	0	
Rates and taxes, ...	234	16	2	
Insurance (1s. 6d. per cent. on £12,900), ...	9	13	6	
Supervision and collection of rents (3 per cent.), ...	38	0	0	
Repairs and maintainence (5 per cent.), ...	66	0	0	
				1.238 11 11
Estimated surplus revenue, ...				£78 6 1

The financial side of the question may perhaps be usefully put from another point of view—assuming the two Housing Schemes were being carried through by a private individual, the following would be the result on the figures submitted :—

1.—CLELAND SCHEME—Cost £10,729.

Gross annual income, ...	£666 18 0
,, ,, expenditure, ...	232 3 2
Net income, ...	£434 14 10

Equal to slightly over 4 per cent. on the capital expended.

II.—HARTHILL SCHEME—Cost £20,854.

Gross annual income, ...	1.316 18 0
,, ,, expenditure, ...	402 9 8
Net income, ...	£914 8 4

Equal to nearly 4½ per cent. on the capital expended.

On the assumption that the houses will be fully let over the period of the proposed loan, at the rents anticipated, and that the estimated expenditure will not be exceeded over the same period (60 years), neither of the schemes will involve any demand upon the rates. But even assuming that the full rents may not be received year in and year out, and that the relative expenditure may vary, particularly in such matters as repairs, management, and rates and taxes, the County Council, on the figures submitted, will be able to reckon approximately what the probable demand, if any, on the rates may be during any period of the operation of the schemes, and to decide whether the possibility of such a demand having to be met need, in all the circumstances of the case, interpose a difficulty in carrying out schemes which the District Committee, as the responsible initiatory authority, have, after careful enquiry, resolved should be proceeded with.

It is a fair inference, from the provisions of the several Housing Acts, that circumstances may exist which will justify a Local Authority in inaugurating a scheme of housing, even though it can be shown that the result will be to impose some liability on the local rates. The question of expediency, and of when, if ever, the discretionary power in the Local Authority falls to be interpreted as a duty, are matters for the determination of the Local Authority on a review of all the circumstances of each case.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 6th May, 1914, being a Meeting of the Finance Committee of the County Council of the County of Lanark. 6th May, 1914.

Present—

JOHN ADAM.
WILLIAM BARR.
WALTER C. B. CHRISTIE.
OWEN COYLE.
WILLIAM L. DYER.
JAMES HAMILTON HOULDSWORTH.
A. D. MACK.
ALEXANDER PILLANS.
GAVIN A. SHANKS.
WILLIAM TEMPLETON.
WILLIAM B. THOMSON.

In the absence of Mr. Fraser, Mr. Christie was appointed Chairman of the meeting. *Chairman.*

Apologies for absence were intimated from the Convener, Vice-Convener, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Hope Vere, and Sir Thomas Munro. *Apologies for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submittd a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 8th April, 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the committee, were submitted, and the same, having been adjusted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Accounts and requisitions, a summary of which forms an appendix to this minute, and amounting in all to £54,645 19s. 11d., were laid before the meeting, and, the same having been examined, were passed for payment. The precept books containing the accounts in detail were also submitted, and initialed by Messrs. Christie and Shanks. *Accounts and requisitions.*

The meeting agreed to remit to any two members of the committee to adjust the payments to the sinking fund for the current year, to examine and pass for payment, if found correct, all accounts and requisitions which it may be considered desirable should be paid before the closing of the accounts for the current year, and to sign cheques therefor, and for all those necessary for cross entries required to close the accounts of the County Fund at 15th May next. *Term payments.—Remit to any two members to pass accounts, &c.*

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the Middle Ward District Committee, of date 4th May, 1914, in regard to certain alterations which were proposed in the system of requisitioning and the issuing of cheques in connection with their accounts, with a view to simplifying and improving the present system, and bringing it into line with that which is now adopted by the County Council. *District Bank Accounts. — Proposed alteration.*

The adoption of the alteration proposed would mean that, in future, there would be only one District Bank Account and a District Treasurer's Account; that all cheques drawn on the District Committee would be enumerated in a list, which would be signed by two members of the District Finance Committee and the District Treasurer, and thereafter forwarded to the bank, who would only honour cheques signed by the District Treasurer, provided they were contained in the list.

Regulations made by County Council for the District Committees to be amended.

The meeting, having considered the matter and been advised that the County Auditor had no objections to what was proposed, approved of the proposed alterations, and agreed that the regulations made by the County Council for the District Committees, of date 15th December, 1903, be so amended as to give effect to the proposals indicated, and resolved to recommend the County Council accordingly.

Statement of Loan Indebtedness.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting the following Statement of Loan Indebtedness, a copy of which had been sent to each member of the committee, viz.:—

STATEMENT OF LOAN INDEBTEDNESS AS AT 2ND MAY, 1914.

Loan indebtedness reported at last meeting, ...		£1,057,097	6 2
Loans repaid since last meeting, ...	£67,510 0 0		
Loans taken do., ...	57,320 0 0		
		10,190	0 0
		£1,046,907	6 2
Sums due to Bank on Capital Accounts, ...		57,066	19 0
		£1,103,974	5 2

The County Fund stands at £71,592 5s. 6d. to the Credit made up as follows:—

On Deposit Receipt, ...	£60,000 0 0
On Account Current, ...	11,592 5 6
	£71,592 5 6

As relative to the above statement, the Clerk submitted a certificate by the Royal Bank of Scotland of the amount on deposit receipt.

Rate of interest to be charged to County Fund Accounts with debit balances.

The Clerk stated that many years ago the committee agreed that the rate of interest to be charged to the various County Fund Accounts having debit balances should be 2½ per cent., but he thought it desirable that the committee should now reconsider this question, having regard to the altered circumstances, and especially to the fact that the Council were now paying a minimum of 3 per cent. in respect of temporary loans.

He further explained that the matter was really a question of book-keeping, as the produce of the rate after paying what was due to the bank fell to be divided amongst the various accounts with credit balances, according to the period for which these balances had been at the credit.

Rate fixed at three per cent.

The meeting, after consideration, agreed to fix the rate to be charged at 3 per cent.

Middle Ward Water requisitions.

There were laid before the meeting requisitions by the District Committee of the Middle Ward for sums required in connection with the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, viz.:—

No. 176 (new), dated 25th April, 1914, ...	£390 17 11
No. 181 (old), dated 25th April, 1914, ...	292 13 9

Middle Ward Water. — Report by Messrs. G. H. Hill & Sons, C.E.

Under reference to the minutes of the committee, of 4th March last, the Clerk submitted copy of a report, dated 23rd December, 1913, by Messrs. G. H. Hill & Sons, C.E., on the position of the Middle Ward Water Undertaking, and the advisability of proceeding with the Camps Water Scheme, and he stated that he had sent a copy of the report to each member of the committee.

Rating of telegraph wires.—Claim by General Post Office.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the General Post Office, claiming that the telegraph wires belonging to the Post Office should be rated in the domestic water rate to the extent only of one-fourth of their valuation levied under the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Order, 1913, in terms of Section 44 (5) (*a*) of that Order.

Claim refused.

The Clerk having explained that telegraph wires were not included in the category of subjects mentioned in the section referred to, the meeting agreed that the claim should be refused.

Expenses to be charged to rates.

The meeting resolved that there should be charged to the rates the following expenses incurred in connection with several Provisional Orders, which had already been reported to the committee, and passed by the Auditor of the Court of Session, viz.:—

(1) Promotion of the Lanarkshire (Middle Ward Water) Order, 1913 (to be charged to the Middle Ward Water Area over a period not exceeding 5 years),	£3,595	5	0
(2) Opposition to the Airdrie Gas Order (to be charged to Highways—Middle Ward), ...	16	17	0
(3) Opposition to Caledonian Railway Order (to be charged to Public Health—Middle Ward), ...	6	4	10

Payment of rates by instalments.—Letter from Blantyre Landlords' and House Factors' Association.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Blantyre Landlords' and House Factors' Association, of date 1st April, containing a recommendation that the ratepayers be given the opportunity of paying County Rates by two instalments, namely, at 28th December and 28th March, and that, if desired, a deputation from the Association would be pleased to discuss the matter with the committee.

Matter continued.

The Clerk having explained that, as the whole question of Rates Collection was presently under consideration of the Departmental Committee on Local Taxation, and that it would be desirable, in any case, that the County Council and the Parish Councils should jointly consider the question before coming to any decision, the meeting agreed to continue the matter for further consideration.

Letter from Glasgow Veterinary College.

There was read to the meeting a letter from the Secretary of the Glasgow Veterinary College, expressing the thanks of the Governors for the committee's contribution to the revenue fund of the College.

Appointment of Probation Officers under Probation of Offenders Act, 1907.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Sheriff-Clerk of Lanarkshire, of date 31st March, 1914, intimating that the Sheriff had made the following appointments of Probation Officers, under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, for this County, for the year from 1st April, 1914, to 31st March, 1915, viz.:—

1. James Ferguson, Parish Council Chambers, George Street, Glasgow.
2. George Gillie, do. do. do. do.
3. Robert S. Reid, do. do. do. do.
4. Walter Gillie, do. do. do. do.
5. Mrs. Sarah Brown, do. do. do. do.
6. Mrs. Janet Mann, do. do. do. do.
7. Mrs. Rebecca Robertson, do. do. do.
8. Miss Mary Elizabeth Cairns, do. do. do.

9. James M'Kay, 7 Carlton Place, S.S, Glasgow.
10. Sergeant Thomas C. Suffil, Cherat, Carluke.
11. Sergeant James Glen, Abbey Green, Lesmahagow.
12. John Brennan, 17 Beckford Street, Hamilton.
13. George Easton, Bar Officer, County Buildings, Airdrie.

NOTE.—Nos. 1 to 8, inclusive, will act only in prosecutions at the instance of Glasgow Parish Council; No. 9 will act only in prosecutions at the instance of Govan Combination Parish Council; and No. 12 will act as an Honorary Probation Officer.

Explosives Act, 1875.—Appointment of Superintendent Walker.

There was laid before the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the Explosives Committee for the Hamilton District, intimating the appointment of Mr. Charles Walker, Superintendent of Constabulary for the Wishaw Division, as an Inspector under the Explosives Act, 1875, in lieu of Superintendent Moir (resigned), and recommending that Superintendent Walker be paid the same salary as was paid to Superintendent Moir, viz., £20 per annum. The meeting approved.

Applications relative to borrowing.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting applications for the consent of the committee to the borrowing of the following sums to meet the cost of capital works, viz.:—

UPPER WARD.

£3,000 for the extensions of piping in Lesmahagow Special Water Supply District.

MIDDLE WARD.

£1,600 for alterations on and additions to the administrative block at the County Sanatorium, Longriggend.

£120 for the acquisition of additional ground at Cocksburn Reservoir.

£60 for the erection of a public urinal at Masonic Buildings, New Stevenston, within the Holytown, New Stevenston, and Carfin Special Scavenging District.

£12 6s. 7d. for the taking over of a sewer in Victoria Street, Larkhall, within the Larkhall Special Drainage District.

LOWER WARD.

£635 for the provision of (*a*) sewer in Cambuslang Road, from Dalmarnock Bridge to Menzies Place; (*b*) sewer in Cambuslang Road, from Eastfield to Blees Buildings; and (*c*) drainage for tenements in Baronald Street, within the Rutherglen Special Drainage District.

The meeting, having considered the above applications and the information submitted in relation to them, agreed to recommend the borrowing of the sums above specified, subject to the consent of the Standing Joint-Committee being obtained, and the Clerk was instructed to submit the applications to that committee for their consent.

COUNTY OF LANARK.

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS PASSED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE EACH MONTH FOR PAYMENT BY THE COUNTY TREASURER.

Month of	Loans.	Requisitions by District Committees.	Salaries.	County General.	General Purposes including Police Burghs	Suspense Account.	General purposes (out-with Police Burghs).	Public Health, County.	Diseases of Animals.	Fire Brigade.	Cambuslang Electric Lighting.	* Miscellaneous.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
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April, ...	59,617 10 5	15,036 9 7	1,274 12 4	59 15 6	36 12 9	39 10 6	0 3 11	119 4 3	115 16 4	136 0 2	143 19 11	*5,043 18 9	81,623 14 5
May, ...	21,124 10 2	16,525 16 11	1,647 19 4	282 1 9	954 3 11	361 10 3	8 1 4	223 16 7	240 11 1	146 7 6	256 16 0	12,874 5 1	54,645 19 11
Total, ...	80,742 0 7	31,562 6 6	2,922 11 8	341 17 3	990 16 8	401 0 9	8 5 3	343 0 10	356 7 5	282 7 8	400 15 11	17,918 3 10	136,269 14 4

*Miscellaneous as per last Summary, ...	£5,043 18 9
Airdrie Court House alterations, ...	450 0 0
Lanark District Lunacy Board *quota* of Assessment, ...	11,454 1 1
Glasgow do. do., ...	550 4 4
Inebriate Reformary, ...	9 6 2
Clydesdale Street Offices, ...	25 6 0
Hamilton and Lanark Court Houses, ...	190 3 6
County of Lanark Tramways, ...	175 7 4
Other Accounts, ...	19 16 8

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 18th February, 1914, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed with reference to the formation of Special Districts, under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894. — 18th February, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	A. D. Mack.
J. Raeside Auld.	James Prentice.
John Campbell.	Gavin A. Shanks.
Robert Lambie.	William Sym.
Alexander Pillans.	William Templeton.

Appointment of chairman.

On the motion of Mr. Mack, Mr. John Adam was appointed Chairman of the Committee, and the quorum was fixed at five.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and stated that the usual public intimation of the meeting had been given in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 13th instant.

Minutes of last meeting.

The Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 22nd October, 1913, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council, were laid before the meeting and signed.

Resolution of District Committee of Middle Ward regarding formation of Hamilton Road Special Lighting District.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 4th February, 1914, transmitting, in terms of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, copy resolution adopted by the District Committee of the Middle Ward at a special meeting held on 30th January, 1914, approving of the formation into a Special District for the purpose of lighting, of that part of the Parish of Dalziel which is comprised within the Hamilton Road Special Drainage District, the said Special District to be known as "Hamilton Road Special Lighting District," and adopting within the said Special Lighting District the provisions contained in Sections 99 to 105 inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

With reference thereto the Clerk stated that the valuation of the proposed Lighting District was £7,388, and that the estimated rate which would fall to be imposed was $1\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{2}\frac{2}{0}$d.

The Clerk further stated that the estimated cost of the Scheme was based on an offer by the Tramway Company to supply electric lighting within the district, the system of lighting being by overhead wires carried on wooden telegraph poles with plain brackets and lamp holders similar to those in use on the Tramway poles; that as an alternative scheme, it had been suggested that the lighting might be supplied from the Middle Ward Hospital, and that this question was being considered by the Electrical Engineers (Messrs. Walter Johnston & Company).

Agreed to give Council's consent.

The Clerk having stated that no objection had been intimated to the resolution of the District Committee, the meeting, after consideration, and, as empowered by the County Council, resolved to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolution of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, all as set forth in the advertisement of the resolution of the District Committee published in the *Hamilton Advertiser* newspaper, of date 7th February, 1914, and as the district is delineated upon the map submitted.

Public intimation of resolution.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimation of this resolution as may be required by statute.

Resolution of District Committee of Middle Ward regarding enlargement of Carmyle Special Lighting District.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 4th February, 1914, transmitting, in terms of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, copy resolution adopted by the District Committee of the Middle Ward at a special meeting held on 30th January, 1914, approving of the enlargement of the Carmyle Special Lighting District so as to make it co-extensive with the existing Carmyle and Mount Vernon Special Scavenging District, the enlarged District to be known as the "Carmyle and Mount Vernon Special Lighting District;" adopting within the said Special District as so enlarged the provisions of Sections 99 to 105 inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892; and determining that the debt affecting the Carmyle Special Lighting District, together with the interest thereof, shall affect the whole Special Lighting District as now enlarged as from and after the 15th day of May, 1914.

With reference thereto the Clerk stated that the valuation of the proposed district was £29,000, and that the estimated rate required was $3\frac{17}{120}$d. or $3\frac{43}{120}$d. according as either of two alternative schemes may be adopted. He further stated that the District Committee had been in communication with Messrs. James Dunlop & Company with a view to an arrangement being come to with them for supplying electric light, but that the Company had declined to undertake the work for the reason that the revenue which the District Committee could afford would not justify the Company in carrying out the installation.

The Clerk further reported that the District Committee had also been in negotiation with the Glasgow Corporation for the lighting of the district with gas; that the Corporation were prepared to light the district, but stated that, as the houses and roads belonged to Messrs. James Dunlop & Company, they were averse to laying the gas mains in places where a wayleave might be exacted from the Corporation. They were, however, prepared to undertake the work provided that the District Committee obtained the necessary permission from the Company to the Corporation laying their gas pipes free of wayleave, and making connections to any of the houses where the tenants desired a supply of gas.

The estimate of the rate which would be required was accordingly made up on the basis of (1) the mains being laid by the Corporation, and (2) the mains being laid by the District Committee.

Agreed to give Council's consent.

The Clerk having stated that no objection had been intimated to the resolution of the District Committee, the meeting, after consideration, and, as empowered by the County Council, resolved to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolution of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, all as set forth in the advertisement of the resolution of the District Committee published in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 6th February, 1914, and as the district is delineated upon the map submitted.

Public intimation of resolution.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimation of this resolution as may be required by statute.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

18th March, 1914.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, upon Wednesday, 18th March, 1914, being a meeting of the Committee of the County Council appointed with reference to the formation of Special Districts, under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894.

Present—

John Adam.	W. W. Chapman.
J. Raeside Auld.	Robert Lambie.
John A. Beattie.	James Prentice.
Colonel Buchanan.	William Sym.
John Campbell.	Thomas Watt.

There was also present—

David Thomson, being the representative on the Council of the Dykehead and Cleland Electoral Division.

Mr. Adam, Chairman of the Committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting, and stated that the usual public intimation of the meeting had been given in the *Glasgow Herald* newspaper, of date 13th instant. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, of date 18th February 1914, which had been printed and sent to each member of the Committee, having been submitted, were approved of and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Resolution of District Committee of Middle Ward regarding enlargement of Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from the Clerk to the District Committee of the Middle Ward, of date 3rd March, 1914, transmitting, in terms of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, copy resolution adopted by the District Committee of the Middle Ward at a special meeting held on 27th February, 1914, approving of the enlargement of the Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District so as to make it co-extensive with the Shotts and Dykehead Special Drainage District; adopting within the said Special District as so enlarged the provisions of Sections 99 to 105 inclusive, of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892; and determining that the debt affecting the Shotts and Dykehead Special Lighting District, together with the interest thereof, shall affect the whole Special Lighting District as now enlarged as from and after the 15th day of May, 1914.

With reference thereto, the Clerk reported that the valuation of the Special Lighting District as proposed to be enlarged was £21,717, and that the estimated rate which would fall to be imposed was $3\frac{3}{4}$d. in the £, being an increase of say $\frac{1}{4}$d.

Agreed to give Council's consent.

The Clerk having stated that no objection had been intimated to the resolution of the District Committee, the meeting, after consideration, and, as empowered by the County Council, resolved to give, and hereby give, in terms of Sub-section 3 of Section 44 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894, as read along with Section 38 of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897, as amended, the County Council's consent to the resolutions of the District Committee of the Middle Ward, all as set forth in the advertisement of the resolutions of the District Committee published in the *Hamilton Advertiser* newspaper, of date 7th March, 1914, and as the district is delineated upon the map submitted.

Public intimation of resolution.

The meeting instructed the Clerk to give such public intimation of this resolution as may be required by statute.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COURT HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT HAMILTON.

At HAMILTON, and within the County Buildings there, upon Tuesday, 3rd March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark for Managing the Court Houses and County Buildings at Hamilton. 3rd March, 1914.

Present—

William Bell.	William Love.
James Cameron.	James C. Pollok.
James Kelly.	William Sym.
Robert Lambie.	William Templeton.

Attending—

Duncan M'Intyre, Keeper of the Buildings.

Mr. James C. Pollok was unanimously appointed chairman of the committee. *Appointment of chairman.*

The Clerk stated that the quorum of the committee was fixed by Statute at 5. *Quorum.*

The Clerk reported that, consequent upon the Secondary Education Medical Staff being provided with accommodation in the Clydesdale Street offices, the two rooms occupied by the members of that staff were now occupied by the Public Health Department. *Two rooms previously occupied by Secondary Education Medical Staff now occupied by Public Health Department.*

The Clerk stated that at a recent meeting the Public Health Committee had before them a proposal by the County Medical Officer, that, as the water power which had hitherto been used for the centrifuges was now found to be insufficient to obtain the necessary speed, electricity should be introduced for the purpose, and that that committee, so far as their interests were concerned, had approved of the proposal. *Electrical power for centrifuges.*

The meeting having agreed that an installation should be introduced into the Public Health Department, not only for power but also for lighting purposes, the Clerk submitted offers which he had received from three different firms for the work. The meeting, after consideration, agreed to accept the lowest offer, being that of the Burgh of Hamilton Electricity Supply, amounting to £54 10s. *Electric light and power.—Offer of Burgh of Hamilton Electricity Supply accepted.*

It having been explained that if the wiring were to be encased in steel tubes there would be an additional cost of £12 or £13, the meeting agreed that the extra cost should be authorised, should it be deemed necessary to adopt the system of steel tubing. *Additional cost.*

Fittings.—Remit to County Medical Officer.

The meeting remitted to the County Medical Officer to select such fittings as he may find necessary, and to arrange the price of such fittings at the time of selection.

Relaying with 7lb. Sheet Lead of roofing of buildings in Clydesdale Street.—Offer by Mr. Lachlan Taylor.

There was submitted to the meeting an offer by Mr. Lachlan Taylor to uplift the present roofing of the buildings in Clydesdale Street, and to relay the same with 7-lb. sheet lead, for the sum of £81 5s. The meeting, having heard a statement by Mr. M'Intyre, keeper of the buildings, agreed to delay consideration of the matter.

Request for fire-proof door on Strong Room of J. P. Clerk's office.

The Clerk submitted to the meeting a letter from Mr. Hiddleston, Depute Clerk of the Peace, requesting, on behalf of Mr. Gebbie, that the door of the strong room of the J.P. Clerk's office should be made fireproof, as there were numerous valuable books and papers kept in the room. The meeting, having discussed the matter, did not think it necessary that the door should be fireproof.

Alterations on County Buildings.

Members of the committee, having inspected the buildings, agreed that the following alterations be carried out, viz.:—

(1) That the door leading into the two rooms originally intended for the Clerk of the Peace should be made into a window; that the position of the counter be altered, and that any other consequential alterations be carried out.

(2) That the keeper of the buildings be authorised to purchase linoleum, to be laid along the corridor of the Court Houses from the Library to the small Court House, in order to preserve the tile work.

Additional safe accommodation for County Clerk.

The meeting, having also considered the question of providing additional safe accommodation for the County Clerk and his staff, expressed the opinion that the existing accommodation was quite inadequate, and, after discussing alternative suggestions, agreed that, in the meantime, a stair should be constructed leading to the loft, and that such documents or papers, as the Clerk might see fit to remove, should be taken from the safes to the loft.

Remit to Keeper of Buildings

It was remitted to Mr. M'Intyre, the keeper of the buildings, to have the alterations approved of carried out.

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COMMITTEE ON COURT-HOUSES AND COUNTY BUILDINGS AT LANARK.

At LANARK, and within the County Buildings there, upon Monday, 30th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Committee of the County Council of Lanark, appointed with reference to the Court Houses and County Buildings at Lanark. — 30th March, 1914.

Present—

JAMES H. FENTON. | Colonel LOGAN.
ANDREW MURDOCH.

Attending—

JOHN STEWART, of Messrs. Traill & Stewart, Architects, Lanark.

Mr. Fenton in the chair. — *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. — *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 7th July, which had been submitted to, and approved of by, the County Council, were laid before the meeting. — *Minutes of last meeting.*

There was also laid before the meeting the minutes of the sub-committee, of date 10th November last, which had been submitted to and approved of by the County Council. — *Minute of sub-committee.*

The Clerk reported that, with regard to (1) the adaptation of the caretaker's quarters for safes, and (2) the erection of a new house for the caretaker, &c., a claim had been lodged with the Secretary for Scotland for a contribution from the Treasury towards the cost, and that the Treasury had since intimated that they were prepared to make a contribution as follows, viz.:— — *Government contribution to cost of alterations and additions.*

(1) Half of the cost of adapting the existing buildings for safes, provided the total did not exceed £200, ...	£100	0	0
(2) Caretaker's house—a quarter of the cost, provided the total did not exceed £500, ...	125	0	0
(3) A quarter of the cost of relaying the drain, ...	17	7	5

Accordingly, towards a total expenditure of £804, a sum of £242 7s. 5d. would be recovered from the Treasury. The meeting approved.

Under reference to the minutes of the last meeting of the sub-committee, the Clerk reported that, under the remit made to him, Mr. Fenton had considered the offers received for the painter work, and that he had authorised the acceptance of the offer of Mr. James Paton, amounting to £93 3s. 10d. — *Painter work.—Acceptance of offer.*

The Clerk also reported that, as authorised by the committee, he had employed Messrs. James Connell & Sons, Glasgow, to undertake the touching up and revarnishing of the portraits in the County Hall, and that this work had now been carried out. — *Touching up and revarnishing portraits in County Hall.*

New uniform for caretaker.

The meeting agreed that the caretaker should be provided with a new uniform.

Relaying of drain.—Allocation of cost.

In connection with the re-laying of the drain, the Architect reported that he proposed to allocate the cost as follows:—

County and Sheriff Court Buildings, including new house for caretaker and old dwelling-house, ...	£32	4	10
Fire Station buildings, ...	32	4	10
Court House Commissioners, ...	5	0	0
	£69	9	8

The meeting approved.

Damage to ceiling of Fiscal's room, &c.

The Architect also reported that the ceiling of the Fiscal's room had been damaged through the overflow from the wooden cistern of the lavatory in the Jury Room. It appeared that this cistern could be removed without interfering with the supply of water to the lavatory, and the meeting agreed to have this done and the ceiling repaired.

Linoleum to be laid on floor of Jury room, &c.

It was also agreed that the floor of the Jury Room and lavatory should be laid with linoleum, and that a small rug should be procured for the fireplace.

New house for caretaker.—Foundations of site.

The Architect stated that some difficulty had been experienced in connection with the foundations of the new house for the caretaker owing to the site having been ascertained to be insecure, but that the contractor had suggested that by excavating to a greater depth than was originally contemplated a suitable foundation might be found. The Committee, having inspected the site, approved of the contractor's suggestion.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

PARLIAMENTARY BILLS COMMITTEE.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, upon Wednesday, 13th May, 1914, being a Meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the County Council of Lanark. 13th May, 1914.

Present—

John Adam.	Robert Lambie.
James Anderson.	William Love.
Colonel Buchanan.	A. D. Mack.
James H. Fenton.	Gavin A. Shanks.
George Fraser.	Colonel King Stewart.
James Hamilton Houldsworth.	Joseph Sullivan.

William Sym.

Mr. George Fraser, Chairman of the committee, presiding. *Chairman.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th April, 1914, which had been printed, and a copy sent to each member of the committee, having been submitted, were approved and signed. *Minutes of last meeting.*

Motherwell Burgh and Sewage Purification Bill.—Report by chairman.

The Chairman reported, on behalf of the sub-committee entrusted with the conduct of the County Council's opposition to the Motherwell Burgh Extension and Sewage Purification Bill, the result of the proceedings before the committee of the House of Lords presided over by Lord Lytton. He explained that, under the decision given by the committee, the Town Council's Burgh extension proposals had been completely rejected, and that the Town Council had only secured the right to supply water within the area added to the Burgh by the Act of 1908 on condition that the County Council were paid full compensation for the cesser of their rights, on the basis of maintainable income.

As the result of negotiations with the representatives of the Town Council of Motherwell, subsequent to the decision of the Parliamentary Committee, a settlement had been come to under which the Town Council were to pay the County Council a sum of £37,500 as compensation for the loss of their water rights in the area annexed to the Burgh by the Act of 1908, this sum to include also any claim which the County Council might have against the Town Council in respect of the adjustment of financial liabilities under the Act of 1908. The County Council would, in addition, be repaid the cost of any substituted water mains which might be necessary in consequence of the Town Council taking over the mains in the added area.

The Chairman stated that he was satisfied that the settlement would secure the County Council against any financial loss, and would avoid the necessity of arbitration proceedings.

On behalf of his colleagues and himself he acknowledged the services rendered by the County Clerk, District Clerk, and other officials in presenting the case for the County Council. Colonel King Stewart and Mr. Lambie concurred in the views expressed by the Chairman.

The Clerk thanked the committee, on behalf of himself and the other officials, for their kind appreciation, and expressed his sense of the value of the services rendered by the members of the sub-committee who, by the evidence given by them and their part in the negotiations, had done so much to bring about a satisfactory result.

The Clerk also reported that clauses had still to be adjusted to protect the interests of the Upper Ward in the matter of water supply and for the protection of the Middle Ward District Committee in connection with the Burgh's Sewage Purification Works, these points having, with the concurrence of the Promoters, been reserved before the committee.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON EXPLOSIVES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Rooms, County Buildings there, the 1st day of April, 1914, at a Meeting of the Explosives Committee of the County Council of Lanarkshire appointed for the Airdrie District of the Middle Ward of said County. 1st April, 1914.

Explosives Committee (Airdrie District).

Present—

Colonel Buchanan.
W. W. Chapman, Esq.
A. D. Mack, Esq.
James Prentice, Esq.
Joseph Sullivan, Esq.
David Thomson, Esq.

Attending—

Mr. J. Dunn Russell, as Clerk to the Committee.
Mr. David Pennie, Superintendent of Police, as Inspector of Explosives for said District.

Mr. W. W. Chapman presiding. *Chairman.*

The minutes of last meeting of committee were read over and approved of. *Minutes of last meeting.*

The Clerk reported that, as formerly, he had given notice to all the store license holders, and that these had applied for renewal, with the exception of the following parties:— *Notice to license-holders.*

(1) The Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., 124 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, for mixed explosives, under Division B, at No. 2 Pit, Darngavil Colliery.

(2) The Lochwood Coal Company, Ltd., Lochwood Colliery, Bargeddie, for mixed explosives, under Division B, at Lochwood.

(3) Messrs. Eben. More & Company, Thrushbush, Airdrie, for gunpowder, under Division A, at Thrushbush Quarry.

(4) James Sinclair, Roughrigg, Longriggend, for mixed explosives under Division A, at Roughrigg.

(5) The Summerlee Iron Company, Ltd., 176 West George Street, Glasgow, for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Dunsyston Colliery.

(6) The United Collieries, Ltd., 109 Hope Street, Glasgow, for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Craighead Quarry.

(7) M'Cracken Brothers, Stanrigg and Arbuckle Collieries, near Airdrie, for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Stanrigg Colliery.

(8) The Burnside Coal Company, Chapelhall Colliery, by Airdrie, for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Chapelhall Colliery.

In connection with the foregoing list, the Clerk reported (1) that, as regards Nos. 1, 2, and 4, intimation had been received that the licenses were being dropped; (2) that, as regards No. 3, a new application was made for mixed explosives, in place of gunpowder; (3) that, as regards 5 and 6, new applications were applied for under Division B; and (4) that, as regards Nos. 7 and 8, no explanation for the non-renewal had been received.

Notices of registrations received.

The Clerk also reported that he had received notice of registration of premises, in terms of the statute, from all the parties presently named on the register, excepting the following parties, viz.:—

(1) Miss Susan Baxter, shopkeeper, Glenboig.
(2) Mrs. Agnes Crosbie, Post Office Buildings, Mossend.
(3) Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., 124 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, No. 2 Pit, Greyrigg.
(4) Darngavil Coal Company, Ltd., 124 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, No. 5 Pit, West Longrigg.
(5) Haughhead Coal Company, Ltd., 142 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow.
(6) The Lynn Coal Company Ltd., 19 Waterloo Street, Glasgow.
(7) J. & J. Neilson, Burnhead Quarry, Airdrie.
(8) James Sinclair, grocer, Roughrigg, Longriggend.
(9) Joseph C. Syson, ironmonger, Bellshill.
(10) Wester Moffat Colliery Company, Ltd., Clarkston.
(11) Mrs. Jeanie Brown, 8 Calder Road, Mossend.
(12) Alexander Pollock, 166 Bank Street, Coatbridge.
(13) John Marshall, Croft Park, Airdrie.
(14) The Ardenrigg Coal Company, Ltd., Caldercruix.
(15) James Thomson, 2 Old Rows, Nackerty.
(16) Mrs. C. Arnott, Cross Mansions, Bellshill.
(17) J. & M. Paterson, grocers, Tannochside, Uddingston.
(18) Mrs. Catherine Shields, confectioner, Main Street, Chapelhall
(19) Miss Mary Stockdale, 124 Main Street, Calderbank.
(20) John Cushley, confectioner, Main Street, Chapelhall.
(21) Robert Phillips, confectioner, 124D Main Street, Calderbank.
(22) Mrs. David Cameron, 52 Easterhouse Road, Easterhouse.
(23) Daniel Wilson, Post Office, Bargeddie.
(24) Marion Chalmers, Muirhead Place, Tannochside, Uddingston.
(25) William Jamieson, Forbes Land, Longriggend.
(26) Samuel Johnstone, 21 New Street, Calderbank.
(27) Mrs. Marr, greengrocer, Longriggend.
(28) William Pollock, 99 Coatbank Street, Whifflet.
(29) Duncan M'Vean, 36 Glebe Street, Bellshill.
(30) Robert Brownlie, 6 Kirkwood, Bargeddie.
(31) Mary Corbett, 9 Airdriehill Square, Whiterigg.
(32) Ellen Nash, confectioner, Airdriehill Square, Whiterigg.
(33) John Lucas, miner, Meikle Drumgray.
(34) Jessie N. Wilson, newsagent, Annathill, Glenboig.
(35) Fraser & Kerr and J. F. Crichton, secretary, coalmasters, 116 Hope Street, Glasgow.
(36) Palacecraig Coal Company, coalmasters, Faskine Colliery, Calderbank.

Inspector's report read.

The Clerk read to the meeting Superintendent Pennie's report with regard to the whole licenses and registrations in the district, which report was ordered to be engrossed at the end of this minute.

Store licenses renewed.

The meeting, having considered the applications lodged with the Clerk for renewal of store licenses, as before mentioned, agreed to renew the same as from 30th March, 1914.

The meeting having also considered the notices lodged with the Clerk for registration of premises, instructed the Clerk to register said premises in terms of the statute. *Registered premises.*

With reference to the parties who had not renewed their store licenses or their registrations, as before-mentioned, the Clerk was instructed to intimate to such of said parties as were due to renew same that, unless said licenses and registrations were immediately renewed, they would be subject to prosecution if they continued to keep explosives in their premises. *Notice to parties who have not renewed store licenses or registrations.*

The Clerk laid before the meeting applications for new store licenses received from the following parties:— *New applications for store licenses.*

(1) Fraser & Kerr, coalmasters, 116 Hope Street, Glasgow, and J. F. Crichton, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Laverocknowe.

(2) The Haughhead Colliery, Ltd., 142 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, and James Scalley, manager, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Broomhouse Colliery.

(3) Eben. More & Company, quarrymasters, Thrushbush, Airdrie, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Thrushbush Quarry.

(4) The Palacecraig Coal Company, coalmasters, 45 Renfield Street, Glasgow, for store for mixed explosives, under Division C, at Faskine.

(5) The Summerlee Iron Company, Ltd., coalmasters, 176 West George Street, Glasgow, and John Thomson Forbes, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division B, at Dunsyston Colliery.

(6) The United Collieries, Ltd., coalmasters, 109 Hope Street, Glasgow, for store for mixed explosives, under Division B, at Craighead Quarry.

(7) The Hirst Coal Company, Ltd,. Hirstrigg Colliery, Salsburgh, and Wm. Davidson, secretary, for store for mixed explosives, under Division A, at Hirstrigg Colliery.

The meeting, having considered said applications together with the Inspector's reports engrossed on the same respectively, agreed to grant the same, and authorised Mr. Russell as Clerk to the Local Authority, to sign the whole certificates or store licenses granted or renewed for the current year, all to date from 30th March, 1914. *Same granted.*

The meeting recommended to the County Council that the salaries of the Clerk and Inspector, for the year from 1st January last, should be at the same rate as at present. *Salaries of officials.*

(Sgd.) W. W. CHAPMAN.
Chairman of meeting.

"Lanarkshire Constabulary Office,
Airdrie, 27th March, 1914.

To the Explosives Committee of the
County Council of Lanarkshire,
Airdrie District.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to report for your information that during the year ending 31st March, 1914, you licensed for this district of the County, 65 stores for keeping explosives, enumerated as follows:—

Division A.		
Mixed explosives, ...	19	
Gunpowder, ...	2	
	—	21
Division B.		
Mixed explosives, ...	23	
Gunpowder, ...	0	
	—	23
Division C.		
Mixed explosives, ...	13	
Gunpowder, ...	1	
	—	14
Division D.		
Mixed explosives, ...	7	
Gunpowder, ...	0	
	—	7
Total, ...	...	65

being a decrease on last year of 1.

Your Clerk granted certificates for premises registered for keeping explosives as follows :—

Mixed explosives, ...	93
Gunpowder, ...	4
	97

being an increase on last year of 14.

In terms of Order in Council (No. 12), I granted 2 certificates under Form C to persons keeping mixed explosives for private use and not for sale, which is the same as last year.

During the year I have periodically visited and inspected all the stores and premises registered within the district, and found them all in a satisfactory condition and complying with the requirements of the Statute. There were, however, several of the stores in need of repair, and on the defects being pointed out by me, these were at once put in order.

When I visited Stanrigg and Arbuckle Collieries, belonging to Messrs. M'Cracken Brothers, coalmasters, Greengairs, last month, I found a hutch railway laid within 11 yards from the store under Division A, thus disqualifying it under Order in Council (No. 6). They have discontinued it as a store and are applying for registration instead.

The Mount Vernon Coal Company, Ltd., are presently sinking a new colliery at Barrachnie, Baillieston, and, in pursuance of Section 47 of the Explosives Act, they have provided a workshop in connection with their store for preparing the explosives for sinking operations. The work is being carried out in satisfactory manner.

During the year, the following-named persons were convicted as follows :—

James Murray, manager to James Nimmo & Company, Ltd., coalmasters, Longriggend, for keeping explosives in excess of the quantity allowed by law in the registered premises at No. 2 Hillhead, and No. 1 Meadowfield Collieries, Longriggend, was, at the Sheriff Court at Airdrie, on 21st January, 1914, fined 20s.

James Simpson, a miner residing at 24 Newlands Rows, Nackerty, for keeping explosives in his dwelling-house without a certificate, was, at the Sheriff Court at Airdrie, on 11th November, 1913, fined 2s.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) DAVID PENNIE,
Superintendent."

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON EXPLOSIVES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers there, upon Friday, 13th March, 1914, at 3.15 p.m., being an adjourned Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. 13th March, 1914.

Present—

Colonel King Stewart.
Colonel Buchanan.
John A. Beattie, Esq.
William Bell, Esq.
John Campbell, Esq.
James Kelly, Esq.
James Tonner, Esq.

Chairman of meeting.

In the absence of Mr. Arnot, Chairman of the Committee, Colonel King Stewart was unanimously elected Chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting.

Apology for absence.

An apology for absence was intimated from Mr. George Stalker.

Competing applications for store licences.

There were submitted to the meeting the applications by John Russell, Explosives Agent, Bankend, Park Road, Hamilton, and Hunter & Warren, Limited, Factors for Explosives, 19 Waterloo Street, Glasgow, respectively, for licences for (1) three stores at Boghead Farm, Quarter, (Parish of Hamilton)—Mr. Russell's applications being for licences under Division D, and Messrs. Hunter & Warren's for licences under Division A; and (2) two stores on Low Motherwell Farm (Parishes of Hamilton and Dalziel), under Division D, which applications had been continued from the meeting on 30th January last to afford the applicants an opportunity of settling the differences between them regarding the right to occupy the said stores. The Clerk explained the position of matters as between the respective applicants and referred to the documents which had been put up with the various applications by them, and stated that he understood no endeavour had been made by the applicants, since last meeting, to settle their differences.

He further explained that he had again been in communication with the Factor for the Hamilton Trustees, Superiors of the ground upon which the various stores are built, and had learned that the stores were claimed as their property and were in possession of the applicant, John Russell, who was accepted by the Superiors as rightful occupier of the stores.

After some discussion and an explanation by the Clerk of the law relating to the granting of Store Licences, the Committee unanimously resolved to grant the Licences to John Russell and to refuse the applications by Hunter & Warren, Ltd.

The Clerk was instructed to issue licences to Mr. Russell accordingly.

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

OF THE

COUNTY COUNCIL OF LANARK.

COMMITTEE ON EXPLOSIVES.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Council Chambers there, upon Friday, 24th April, 1914, at 2.15 p.m., being a Meeting of the Committee on Explosives of the County Council of Lanark appointed for the Hamilton District of the Middle Ward of said County. 24th April, 1914.

Present—

THOMAS ARNOT.
JOHN A. BEATTIE.
JOHN CAMPBELL.
CHARLES A. EASSON.
JAMES TONNER.

Mr. Arnot in the chair. *Chairman.*

An apology for absence on account of indisposition was intimated from Mr. George Stalker. *Apology for absence.*

The sederunt having been taken, the Clerk read the notice calling the meeting. *Notice calling meeting.*

The minutes of the meetings of the committee held on 30th January and 13th March, 1914, respectively, were submitted, approved of, and signed by the chairman. *Minutes of last two meetings.*

The Clerk read his report, which was in the following terms:— *Clerk's report.*

"Office of the Clerk of the Peace,
"Hamilton, 24th April, 1914.

"GENTLEMEN,

"I beg to report that, as instructed at the meeting of committee held on 30th January last, I forwarded to the Procurator-Fiscal for prosecution, the two police informations charging John Russell, explosives agent, Bankend, Park Road Hamilton, with contravening the Explosives Act by keeping explosives in stores situated in Ladywell Road, Motherwell, and near the Power Station, Hamilton Road, Motherwell, respectively, without having obtained licences therefor under the Act. I have since been informed by the Procurator-Fiscal that his instructions from the Crown Agent were to take no proceedings.

"On 17th instant Joseph Macfarlane, labourer, 3 Scott Street, Motherwell, was convicted at the Sheriff Court, Hamilton, of contravening the Act by keeping explosives in a press in Camp Colliery Office without having a police certificate, and was fined 10s. or three days' imprisonment. The police information had previously passed through the hands of the chairman and myself.

"Since the date of the January meeting there have been issued two renewals of registrations and the following new registrations, namely:—

Taylor Brothers, ironmongers, 238 Brandon Street, Motherwell (mixed explosives).

Shotts Iron Company, Ltd., iron and coalmasters, per George Hutchison, colliery manager, Shotts, for Northfield Pit (mixed explosives).

"On 19th February last there was issued a new licence to Thomas Faenor Jones, steel works manager, Netherton House, Wishaw, for Wishaw Steel Works, Cambusnethan (mixed explosives, under Division A), the store having previously been reported on by the Inspector. There have also been issued to the foresaid John Russell the five licences granted to him at the adjourned meeting on 13th March.

"Superintendent Moir, Inspector under the Act, has resigned from the constabulary and from his inspectorship, and a new Inspector falls to be appointed in his place.

"Your obedient Servant,

"D. W. HIDDLESTON,
"*Depute Clerk.*

"To the Explosives Committee
"for the Hamilton District of the
"Middle Ward of the County of Lanark."

Inspector Taylor's report.

Superintendent Taylor, Hamilton, Inspector under the Act, reported verbally that, since the meeting of committee in January, no contraventions of the Act in his district had come under his notice, and that all the stores and registered premises inspected by him during the same period had been found to be in satisfactory order.

Resignation of Inspector Moir.

The Clerk read letter, dated 22nd April, which he had received from Superintendent Moir, Motherwell, resigning his appointment as Inspector under the Act on his retiral from the Constabulary, and tendering his thanks to the committee and officials for the courtesy shown him during the eight years he had held the appointment. On the motion of Mr. Tonner, it was unanimously resolved to accept Mr. Moir's resignation, and to record in the minutes the committee's appreciation of the capable and courteous manner in which he had at all times discharged his duties as Inspector.

Appointment of Inspector Walker.

The Clerk submitted letter, dated 18th April, received by him from Captain Despard, Chief Constable, intimating Superintendent Moir's retiral on pension from the Constabulary, and that Superintendent Walker had been appointed for the Wishaw Division, and requesting the latter's name to be submitted to the committee for appointment as Inspector under the Act in place of Superintendent Moir. The committee resolved to appoint Superintendent Charles Walker to be Inspector under the Act for the Wishaw Division of the District, and to recommend that he be paid the same salary as was paid to Mr. Moir, namely, £20 per annum.

Copies of Minutes of Conferences of Representatives of Police Authorities in regard to the Scale of Pay of Police Forces.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE
RE
SCALE OF POLICE PAY.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Thursday, 23rd October, 1913, being a conference of representatives of the Standing Joint-Committees of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, regarding the Scale of Pay of Police Forces. 23rd October, 1913.

Present—

Representing the County of Ayr.

W. D. Russell.
James E. Shaw, County Clerk.
C. C. Robertson-Glasgow, Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Dunbarton.

Francis C. Buchanan. | R. R. Spiers.
R. E. Findlay.
W. Craig, County Clerk.
C. A. MacHardy, Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Lanark.

Colonel James Stevenson, C.B., A.D.C.
Thomas Munro, County Clerk.
Captain H. J. Despard, Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Renfrew.

Henry Macdowall.
James Caldwell, County Clerk.
Charles Harding, Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Stirling.

E. Bolton.
James Learmouth, County Clerk.

Colonel Stevenson was appointed Chairman of the meeting and Mr. Munro, Clerk. *Chairman.*

There was submitted the following letter, of which a copy had been addressed by Mr. Munro as County Clerk of Lanarkshire to the Clerks to each of the other Police Authorities represented, viz.:— *Letter to Police Authorities.*

County Offices,
Hamilton, 4th September, 1913.

Dear Sir,

County Police—Scale of Pay.

My Standing Joint-Committee have had their attention drawn to the fact that the Secretary for Scotland has recently approved of a proposal by the Corporation of Glasgow, to increase the wages of the City Police Force.

As you are probably aware, difficulty has been experienced during the last two or three years in obtaining suitable recruits for County Police Forces in Scotland,

principally on account of the best men being attracted to the larger English Forces and to the Glasgow Police Force, in which the rates of pay are higher and the conditions are considered more advantageous. These considerations have, I am informed, even induced experienced constables to resign from County Police Forces for the purpose of joining these other Forces. The difficulty of obtaining recruits will be enhanced by the recent alteration of the conditions of service in the Glasgow Police Force.

It is further of importance to keep in view that Glasgow Corporation will now, on account not only of the increased rates of pay which have been sanctioned, but also on account of the recent increase in the strength of the Police Force, be entitled to claim a larger share than formerly of the Government Grant towards Police Pay and Clothing, and as the amount of this Grant is stereotyped, the balance available for division amongst the other Police Authorities in Scotland will be correspondingly diminished.

It has been suggested to my Standing Joint-Committee that it would be advisable that a conference should take place between the representatives of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, to discuss the position of matters which has arisen with a view of approaching the Secretary for Scotland on the subject.

The Standing Joint-Committee of the County of Dunbarton have already expressed themselves as willing to take part in such a conference, and I shall be obliged if you will submit this letter to your Standing Joint-Committee, and let me know if they are also agreeable to do so. If so, perhaps they would appoint some of their number to represent them, and in that event would you kindly let me have a choice of dates on which it would be suitable for your Committee's representatives to attend the conference?

Your faithfully,

THOS. MUNRO,
County Clerk.

Memorandum and statement submitted.

There were also submitted the Memorandum prepared by Mr. Munro (Appendix) and a statement by Captain Despard, showing how the pay of the Lanarkshire Police Force compared with the pay of Glasgow Police Force, of which prints had been issued to the members of the conference prior to this meeting.

Statement by Mr Munro.

At the request of Colonel Stevenson, Mr. Munro supplemented the statements contained in his letter by explaining the circumstances which had led to this conference being summoned by the Standing Joint-Committee for Lanarkshire. He reminded the meeting that on the last occasion on which the Standing Joint-Committee of the County of Lanark had had to increase the rates of pay of their Police Force this had, according to past practice, been done without consulting with the police authorities of the neighbouring counties, and that these counties had subsequently had to face requests from the members of their forces for corresponding increases. The Standing Joint-Committee of the County of Lanark had now again to consider the question of further increasing the rates of pay of their Police Force, mainly on account of recent increases in the pay of the City of Glasgow Police Force, and they had agreed to a suggestion that had emanated from the County Clerk of Dunbartonshire that a conference on the whole subject should be held. It seemed to him that if, as seemed probable, the time had now arrived when the present scale of police pay must be revised, the opportunity presented itself of considering whether the counties represented, and any other counties similarly situated, could not agree upon a scale which, allowing for minor local differences, might be accepted generally in the meantime as a maximum. If such a scale could be agreed upon, representations might then be made to the Secretary for Scotland asking him to approve of the scale as a maximum, and that thereafter he should not sanction applications by individual counties, or cities, or burghs for increases in the rates of pay in excess of the scale without regard to the effect which such increases would have on other police

uthorities, and that he should afford other counties, or cities, or burghs, who night reasonably expect to be affected an opportunity of making representations n the subject.

A general discussion and interchange of views took place, in the course of vhich it was suggested that the whole Counties in Scotland might be arranged in wo or more groups according as their circumstances and conditions of service pproximated to each other.

Agreed that maximum scale of pay should be framed.

It was finally agreed that the Counties represented should endeavour to frame . scale of pay which might be adopted by them and any other Counties who chose o enter the combination, as a maximum, and that upon the scale being framed the nembers of the conference should report to their respective constituents, who, if villing to adopt the scale, should authorise the conference to approach the Secretary or Scotland with a request that he approve of this scale as a maximum, and lecline to sanction increases in excess of it without giving the group of Counties vho had adopted it an opportunity of being heard against the proposal; and also hat he should not grant further increases on the rates of pay to city forces which vould have the effect of causing the Counties to raise their scales of pay beyond he maximum adopted in order to be able to compete with the city forces for ecruits, without affording the Counties an opportunity of making a representation n the subject should they deem that necessary.

Remit to committee.

It was remitted to the Chief Constables and County Clerks as a Committee to repare the suggested maximum Scale of Pay for the grouped Counties.

Larger cities to be communicated with.

It was agreed that Mr. Munro should communicate with the larger cities and scertain if they were willing to fall in with the proposals of the conference, and urther, that he should write to the Secretary for Scotland explaining that the natter was under consideration, and suggesting that in the meantime no increases f pay should be sanctioned by him until the conference had had an opportunity of epresenting to him on the subject.

Other Counties to be invited to next conference.

The Chairman was authorised to call the next meeting of the conference, to vhich it was agreed that representatives from the Counties of Linlithgow, Fife, and Midlothian should be invited.

APPENDIX.

MEMORANDUM FOR MEETING OF COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING SCALES OF POLICE PAY.

For some time back increasing difficulty has been experienced in obtaining suitable recruits for County Police Forces. This difficulty is referred to by H.M. Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland in his last Report, in which he states "The recruits were generally of good physique and education, but the complaint was general that suitable men were difficult to obtain." The difficulty referred to is no doubt, due to a certain extent to emigration and to the increased rates of wages paid to tradesmen which, in comparison, render the Police Service less attractive. But another factor, which cannot be overlooked, is the competition for recruits by English Police Forces and the Police Force of the City of Glasgow. As these latter Forces in general offer higher rates of pay than obtain in Counties, and the amenities of City life offer further inducements, the result is that the best class of recruits is being attracted to England and the City of Glasgow, while cases have even occurred of experienced constables in County Forces resigning their positions to join Glasgow Police Force or Police Forces in England.

In these circumstances Police Authorities requiring recruits are tempted to increase their rates of pay in order to attract suitable men, but this has merely the result of causing dissatisfaction amongst the members of other forces, and a consequent demand for a rise in the rates of pay all round. Recently the rates of pay of the Glasgow Police Force were substantially increased, and there is no doubt but that this will have considerable effect in attracting recruits who might otherwise have joined County Forces. The effect of the competition of Glasgow for the limited supply of recruits may be judged from the fact that according to the last Report of H.M. Inspector of Constabulary the total Police Force employed in Scotland at present is 5,831, of whom no fewer than 1,946 are employed by the City of Glasgow, while the total number of Police in the whole Counties of Scotland is only 2,022.

A further result of the increase of the rate of pay of the Glasgow Police Force will be that the claim which the City of Glasgow will be entitled to make for a share of the Government Grant towards Police Pay and Clothing will be considerably larger than formerly, and as the total sum available is stereotyped, the amount divisible amongst other Police Authorities will be correspondingly reduced At present the percentage of the cost of police pay and clothing met by the Government Grant is only 35 per cent., and thus a further reduction cannot be contemplated with equanimity.

In view of these facts it has been suggested that the time has now come for the Police Authorities of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, to have a conference to discuss the position of matters which has arisen with the view of making representations to the Secretary for Scotland on the subject. These representations might take the form either of asking the Secretary for Scotland to fix Scales of Pay for the Scottish Police, as was done in 1879, or by asking him not to sanction increases in the rates of pay to individual Police Forces without ascertaining the views of the Police Authorities of the adjoining districts. This conference has accordingly been called.

For the information of members there is appended hereto a comparative statement of the rates of pay of the police forces of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Linlithgow, Renfrew, Stirling, and of the City of Glasgow.

T. M.

County Offices,
Hamilton, *October*, 1913.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RATES OF PAY OF POLICE FORCES OF THE COUNTIES OF AYR, DUNBARTON, LANARK, LINLITHGOW, RENFREW, AND STIRLING, AND OF THE CITY OF GLASGOW.

Grade of Officer.	Ayr.	Dunbarton.	Lanark.	Linlithgow.	Renfrew.	Stirling.	Glasgow.
Supts.—On appointment.	£175 0 0	£190 0 0	£190 0 0	£190 0 0	£190 0 0	£160 0 0	£232 0 0
After 2 years' service.	—	200 0 0	200 0 0	200 0 0	200 0 0	175 0 0	252 0 0
„ 4 „	200 0 0	210 0 0	210 0 0	210 0 0	210 0 0	190 0 0	272 0 0
„ 6 „	—	220 0 0	220 0 0	220 0 0	220 0 0	—	292 0 0
„ 7 „	—	—	—	—	—	210 0 0	—
„ 8 „	225 0 0	230 0 0	230 0 0	230 0 0	230 0 0	—	312 0 0
„ 10 „	—	250 0 0	250 0 0	250 0 0	250 0 0	230 0 0	332 0 0
„ 12 „	250 0 0	—	—	—	—	—	352 0 0
„ 15 „	—	260 0 0	260 0 0	260 0 0	260 0 0	240 0 0	—
Insps.—On appointment.	110 10 0	115 0 0	115 0 0	115 0 0	115 0 0	107 10 0	125 0 0
After 2 years' service.	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	115 0 0	130 0 0
„ 4 „	—	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	—	140 0 0
„ 5 „	127 10 0	—	—	—	—	122 10 0	—
„ 6 „	—	130 0 0	130 0 0	130 0 0	130 0 0	130 0 0	156 0 0
„ 8 „	135 0 0	135 0 0	135 0 0	135 0 0	135 0 0	—	—
„ 10 „	—	140 0 0	140 0 0	140 0 0	140 0 0	—	—
„ 12 „	142 10 0	—	—	—	—	137 10 0	—
„ 15 „	—	145 0 0	145 0 0	145 0 0	145 0 0	—	—
Sergts.—On appointment.	1 13 10	1 14 5	1 14 5	1 14 5	1 14 5	1 12 8	1 19 1
After 1 years' service.	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 0 3
„ 2 „	1 15 0	1 15 7	1 15 7	1 15 7	1 15 7	1 13 10	2 2 0
„ 3 „	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 3 2
„ 5 „	1 16 2	1 16 9	1 16 9	1 16 9	1 16 9	1 15 0	2 4 4
„ 8 „	1 17 4	1 17 11	1 17 11	1 17 11	1 17 11	1 16 2	—
„ 12 „	1 18 6	1 19 1	1 19 1	1 19 1	1 19 1	1 17 4	—
„ 15 „	1 19 8	—	—	—	—	1 18 6	—
„ 17 „	—	2 0 3	2 0 3	2 0 3	2 0 3	—	—
Consts.—On appointment.	1 3 11	1 5 1	1 5 1	1 5 1	1 5 1	1 5 1	1 7 5
After 6 mths.' service.	1 5 1	1 6 3	1 6 3	1 6 3	1 6 3	—	1 8 7
„ 12 „	1 6 3	1 7 5	—	—	—	—	—
„ 15 „	—	—	1 7 5	1 7 5	1 7 5	—	—
„ 18 „	—	—	—	—	—	1 6 3	1 9 9
„ 2 years' service.	1 7 5	1 8 7	1 8 7	1 8 7	1 8 7	1 7 5	—
„ $3\frac{1}{2}$ „	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 10 11
„ 4 „	1 8 7	—	1 9 9	1 9 9	1 9 9	1 8 7	—
„ 5 „	—	1 9 9	—	—	—	—	—
„ $5\frac{1}{2}$ „	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 12 1
„ 7 „	1 9 9	—	1 10 11	1 10 4	1 10 11	1 9 9	1 14 5
„ 8 „	1 10 11	—	—	—	—	—	—
„ $8\frac{1}{2}$ „	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 15 7
„ 10 „	—	1 10 11	1 12 1	1 13 3	1 12 1	1 10 11	1 17 4
„ 12 „	—	1 12 1	—	—	—	—	—
„ 14 „	1 12 1	—	—	—	—	1 12 1	—
„ 15 „	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
„ 17 „	1 13 3	1 13 3	1 13 3	—	1 13 3	—	—

Houses are provided for all ranks, and deductions made as under, viz.:—

Grade of Officer.	Ayr.	Dunbarton.	Lanark.	Linlithgow.	Renfrew.	Stirling.	Glasgow.
Deputy Chief-Constable, ...	—	—	—	—	4/-	—	Houses are provided for 129 married men who pay a rent of £6 to £14 per annum according to accommodation. 169 men live in police barracks and pay 1/9 per week which includes fuel and light.
Superintendents, ...	3/-	1/ to 5/- According to class of house occupied.	5/-	5/-	3/-	3/-	
Inspectors, ...	2/-		3/-	3/-	3/-	2/-	
Sergeants, ...	2/-		2/-	2/-	2/6	1/-	
Married Constables, ...	1/6	1/-	2/-	2/-	2/-	1/-	
Single Do.	nil.	nil.	nil.	1/-	1/-	nil.	
Allowance given to single men in lodgings, Sergeants,	2/-	nil.	1/-	3/-	nil.	nil.	
Do. do. do. Constables,	1/6	nil.	1/-	3/-	nil.	nil.	

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

RE

SCALE OF POLICE PAY.

29th October, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 29th October, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of County Clerks and Chief Constables appointed at the Conference of representatives of the Standing Joint-Committees of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, regarding the Scale of Pay of Police Forces.

Present—

C. C. Robertson Glasgow, Chief Constable of Ayrshire.
C. A. M'Hardy, Chief Constable of Dunbartonshire.
Thomas Munro, County Clerk of Lanarkshire.
Captain H. J. Despard, Chief Constable of Lanarkshire.
Charles Harding, Chief Constable of Renfrewshire.
Charles Middleton, Chief Constable of Stirlingshire.

Chairman.

Captain Despard was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were intimated from Mr. Tennant Gordon, Chief Constable of Fife, and Colonel Borthwick, Chief Constable of Mid-Lothian, who had been invited to be present, but were unable to attend. In the letters intimating their apologies for absence, both Mr. Tennant Gordon and Colonel Borthwick expressed their general approval of the course which the conference proposed to adopt.

Remit from conference.

There was submitted the following remit from the conference, viz.:—

"It was finally agreed that the Counties represented should endeavour to frame a scale of pay which might be adopted by them and any other Counties who chose to enter the combination, as a maximum, and that upon the scale being framed, the members of the conference should report to their respective constituents, who, if willing to adopt the scale, should authorise the conference to approach the Secretary for Scotland with a request that he approve of this scale as a maximum and decline to sanction increases in excess of it without giving the group of Counties who had adopted it an opportunity of being heard against the proposal, and also that he should not grant further increases on the rates of pay to city forces which would have the effect of causing the Counties to raise their scales of pay beyond the maximum adopted, in order to be able to compete with the city forces for recruits, without affording the Counties an opportunity of making a representation on the subject should they deem that necessary.

It was remitted to the Chief Constables and County Clerks, as a committee, to prepare the suggested maximum scale of pay for the grouped Counties."

Suggested maximum scale of pay.

The committee having taken into consideration existing scales of pay of county forces, after full discussion and interchange of views, unanimously agreed to recommend to the conference that the following scale be adopted by the Counties represented as a maximum, viz.:—

Deputy Chief Constable—	Per annum.
Extra pay, ...	£40

SUPERINTENDENTS—	Per annum.
On appointment,	£190
After 2 years,	205
„ 4 „	220
„ 6 „	235
„ 8 „	250
„ 10 „	270

INSPECTORS—	
On appointment,	£120
After 2 years,	125
„ 4 „	130
„ 6 „	135
„ 8 „	140
„ 10 „	150

SERGEANTS—	Per week.
On appointment,	37s. 11d.
After 2 years,	39s. 1d.
„ 4 „	40s. 3d.
„ 6 „	41s. 5d.
„ 8 „	42s. 7d.
„ 10 „	43s. 9d.

CONSTABLES—	
As probationer,	26s. 3d.
On appointment as 3rd Class Constable,	27s. 5d.
„ 2nd „	28s. 7d.
„ 1st „	29s. 9d.
After 2 years as 1st Class Constable,	30s. 11d.
„ 4 „ „	32s. 1d.
„ 6 „ „	33s. 3d.
„ 8 „ „	34s. 5d.
10 „ „	35s. 7d.

A merit class to be formed, the number of which class should not at any time exceed 10 per cent. of the total number of the Force. When admitted to this class the rate of pay of Sergeants to be increased by 2s. per week and of Constables by 1s. per week respectively during the whole term of their service in those grades.

House Rents—	Per week.
Superintendents,	5s. 0d.
Inspectors.	3s. 0d.
Sergeants,	2s. 0d.
Married Constables,	1s. 6d.
Single Constables,	Nil.

Allowances (lodging)—	
Sergeants,	1s. 6d.
Constables,	1s. 6d.

Subsistence—

As at present in each county.

Allowance on Special Duty—

As at present in each county.

Holidays—

As at present in each county.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

RE

SCALE OF POLICE PAY.

10th December, 1913.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Wednesday, 10*th December*, 1913, being a meeting of the Committee of County Clerks and Chief Constables appointed at the Conference of representatives of the Standing Joint-Committees of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, regarding the Scale of Pay of Police Forces.

Present—

W. Craig, County Clerk of Dunbartonshire.
C. A. M'Hardy, Chief Constable of Dunbartonshire.
W. D. Patrick, County Clerk of Fife.
J. Tennant Gordon, Chief Constable of Fife.
Thomas Munro, County Clerk of Lanarkshire.
Captain H. J. Despard, Chief Constable of Lanarkshire.
A. G G. Asher, County Clerk of Mid-Lothian.
James Caldwell, County Clerk of Renfrewshire.
Charles Harding, Chief Constable of Renfrewshire.
James Learmonth, County Clerk of Stirlingshire.
Charles Middleton, Chief Constable of Stirlingshire.

Chairman.

Mr. Craig was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, Mr. Munro submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Mr. Henderson, County Clerk of Linlithgowshire, Mr. Shaw, County Clerk of Ayrshire, and Lieut.-Colonel Borthwick, Chief Constable of the Counties of Mid-Lothian and Linlithgow. There was also read a letter from Mr. Shaw explaining the reasons for his absence, and with his views as to the procedure of the sub-committee, to which Mr. Munro was instructed to reply.

Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 29th October, 1913, prints of which had been sent to members of the committee, were submitted, approved, and signed by the chairman.

Amendment of draft scale subsequent to last meeting.

Mr. Munro explained that, subsequent to the date of last meeting, several of the members of the committee had pointed out that, under the suggested scale as framed by the committee, a Sergeant at the maximum rate of pay would be in receipt of greater remuneration than an Inspector on appointment. The members of the committee had been communicated with individually, and the general feeling was that the proper method of removing this anomaly would be to increase the Inspector's pay on appointment from £115 to £120, and to allow an Inspector to attain his maximum rate of pay in ten years instead of twelve. The draft scale had accordingly been amended in this respect.

There was submitted a letter from Mr. Learmonth, dated 10th November, 1913, pointing out that the suggested scale, so far as Sergeants were concerned, proposed to give them an increase of three grades on the existing Lanarkshire scale, and practically five grades on the Stirlingshire scale, which he was afraid his committee would consider an undue increase on the existing rates of pay.

Sergeants' rate of pay.—Letter from Mr. Learmonth.

After explanations had been given as to the reasons which had guided the committee in fixing the amended rates of pay for Sergeants, it was agreed to amend the Scale of Pay for Sergeants to read as follows:—

Sergeants scale amended.

On appointment,	...	...	...	...	...	36s. 9d.	per week.
After 2 years,	...	...	...	...	...	37s. 11d.	„
„ 3 „	...	...	...	...	...	39s. 1d.	„
„ 4 „	...	...	...	...	...	40s. 3d.	„
„ 6 „	...	...	...	...	...	41s. 5d.	„
„ 8 „	...	...	...	...	...	42s. 7d.	„
„ 10 „	...	...	...	...	...	43s. 9d.	„

There was also submitted a letter from Mr. Middleton pointing out that under the scale the lodging allowance of 1s. 6d. per week would be confined to Sergeants and Constables, and that he did not understand this to be the decision of the committee.

Lodging allowance.—Letter from Mr. Middleton.

On further consideration, it was agreed to delete from the draft scale the words "Sergeants and Constables" occurring under the heading "Allowances (lodging)," and to substitute therefor the words "Unmarried men."

On the suggestion of Captain Despard, it was also agreed to alter the wording of the scale to make it clear that in the event of a Sergeant or Constable in the merit class having his pay reduced for misconduct, the merit allowance should be forfeited.

Merit allowance to be forfeited in event of misconduct.

Mr. Munro reported that subsequent to last meeting he had been in communication with the Town-Clerks of the four larger cities, viz., Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, and Dundee, and that the Town Councils of Glasgow, Aberdeen, and Dundee had already appointed representatives to the next conference, while the Town-Clerk of Edinburgh was to submit his letter to the Police Committee at the first opportunity.

Representatives appointed by larger cities.

In this connection the committee discussed the advisability of recommending to the conference that its scope might be extended by inviting representatives from the Burghs within the Counties already taking part in the conference to future meetings, but finally it was agreed that, in the meantime, it was expedient to confine the conference to the representatives of these Counties and the four larger cities.

Proposal to include representatives from Burghs.

The committee agreed to submit the scale as amended to the conference. A copy of the scale as amended is printed as an appendix to this minute.

Scale as amended to be submitted to next Conference.

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APPENDIX.

AMENDED SCALE.

	Per annum.
Deputy Chief Constable—	
Extra Pay, ...	£40
Superintendents—	
On appointment, ...	£190
After 2 years, ...	205
„ 4 „	220
„ 6 „	235
„ 8 „	250
„ 10 „	270
Inspectors—	
On appointment, ...	£120
After 2 years, ...	125
„ 4 „	130
„ 6 „	135
„ 8 „	140
„ 10 „	150

	Per week.
Sergeants—	
On appointment, ...	36s. 9d.
After 2 years, ...	37s. 11d.
„ 3 „	39s. 1d.
„ 4 „	40s. 3d.
„ 6 „	41s. 5d.
„ 8 „	42s. 7d.
„ 10 „	43s. 9d.
Constables—	
As probationer, ...	26s. 3d.
On appointment as 3rd class Constable, ...	27s. 5d.
„ 2nd „	28s. 7d.
„ 1st „	29s. 9d.
After 2 years as 1st class Constable, ...	30s. 11d.
„ 4 „ „	32s. 1d.
„ 6 „ „	33s. 3d.
„ 8 „ „	34s. 5d.
„ 10 „ „	35s. 7d.

A merit class to be formed, the number of which class should not at any time exceed 10 per cent. of the total number of the Force. When admitted to this class the rate of pay of Sergeants to be increased by 2s. per week and of Constables by 1s. per week respectively during the whole term of their service in those grades, provided their conduct remained satisfactory.

	Per week.
House Rents—	
Superintendents, ...	5s. 0d.
Inspectors, ...	3s. 0d.
Sergeants, ...	2s. 0d.
Married Constables, ...	1s. 6d.
Single Constables, ...	Nil.
Allowances (lodging)—	
Unmarried men, ...	1s. 6d.

Subsistence—

As at present in each county.

Allowance on Special Duty—

As at present in each county.

Holidays—

As at present in each county.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE

RE

SCALE OF POLICE PAY.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings, there, on Friday, 20*th February*, 1914, being a Conference of representatives of the Standing Joint-Committees of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Fife, Lanark, Linlithgow, Midlothian, Renfrew, and Stirling, regarding the Scale of Pay of Police Forces.

20th February, 1914.

Present—

Sederunt.

Representing the County of Ayr—
W. D. Russell.
James E. Shaw, County Clerk.
C. C. Robertson-Glasgow, Chief Constable

Representing the County of Dunbarton—
F. C. Buchanan.
Alexander Wylie.
William Craig, County Clerk.

Representing the County of Fife—
Lord Bruce.
W. D. Patrick, County Clerk.
James Tennant Gordon, Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Lanark—
Colonel James Stevenson, C.B., A.D.C.
Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk.
Captain H. J. Despard, Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Midlothian—
J. A. Tod.
A. G. G. Asher, County Clerk.
Lieut.-Colonel Borthwick, M.V.O., Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Renfrew—
Henry Macdowall.
James Caldwell, County Clerk.
Charles Harding, Chief Constable.

Representing the County of Stirling—
E. Bolton.
James Learmonth, County Clerk.
Charles Middleton, Chief Constable.

Present also—

Representing the City of Aberdeen—
Councillor Bowman.
William Anderson, Chief Constable.

Representing the City of Dundee.
Councillor Melville.
John Carmichael, Chief Constable.

Representing the City of Edinburgh—
Bailie Lyon.
Councillor Stevenson.
Councillor Young.
Andrew Grierson, Town-Clerk Depute.
R. Ross, M.V.O., Chief Constable.

Representing the City of Glasgow—
Bailie Pratt, M.P.
Councillor R. S Brown.
Councillor Paxton.
J. D. Borthwick, Treasurer.
Thomas Picken, Town-Clerk Depute.
J. V. Stevenson, Chief Constable.

Chairman.

Colonel Stevenson was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

Notice calling meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, Sir Thomas Munro submitted a copy of th Notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman having reminded the meeting of the object of the Conferenc as these were set forth in the papers which had been circulated prior to the meetin Sir Thomas Munro supplemented the Chairman's remarks and explained th reasons which had led the sub-committee to invite representatives of the Corpora tions of the larger cities to this meeting. He pointed out that if any commo action was to be taken, this should be done without unnecessary delay, as considerable number of applications for increases on their scales of pay had bee made to the Scottish Office by Burghs, and that he had just been informed tha the Burgh of Leith had agreed to ask an increase which would raise their scale o pay above that of any other Police Authority in Scotland.

A general discussion then took place, from which it appeared that there woul be considerable difficulty in fixing a scale which would be appropriate to Cities an Counties alike. It transpired in the course of the discussion that the City Polic Authorities had not yet considered the matter fully, and that their representative were not in a position to make any definite statement on their behalf. Th representatives of the Cities, however, stated that they would report the result o the discussion to their constituents and promised that their Authorities woul give friendly consideration to the views expressed by the County representatives The representatives of the Cities then withdrew from the Conference.

As a result of a further discussion between the representatives of the Counties it was finally agreed to give general approval to the scale recommended by th sub-committee of County Clerks and Chief Constables, but to remit this scale back to the sub-committee in order that, having in view the suggestions and the opinion expressed at the meeting to-day, they might reconsider certain details of the scal and also frame alternative scales which might meet the cases of Counties who migh not be able to see their way to accept the scale originally recommended, and wit powers to consult with the Police Authorities of any other Scottish Counties if thi should be considered advisable.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

ON

SCALE OF POLICE PAY.

At GLASGOW, and within the County Buildings there, on Monday, 9th March, 1914, being a Meeting of the Committee of County Clerks and Chief Constables appointed at the Conference of Representatives of the Standing Joint-Committees of the Counties of Ayr, Dunbarton, Lanark, Renfrew, and Stirling, regarding the Scale of Pay of Police Forces. 9th March, 1914.

Present—

Jas. E. Shaw, County Clerk of Ayrshire.
C. C. Robertson-Glasgow, Chief Constable of Ayrshire.
W. Craig, County Clerk of Dunbartonshire.
J. Tennant Gordon, Chief Constable of Fifeshire.
Sir Thomas Munro, County Clerk of Lanarkshire.
Captain Despard, Chief Constable of Lanarkshire.
James Caldwell, County Clerk of Renfrewshire.
Charles Harding, Chief Constable of Renfrewshire.

Chairman.

Mr. Craig was appointed chairman of the meeting.

The sederunt having been taken, Sir Thomas Munro submitted a copy of the notice calling the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting of the committee, of date 10th December, 1913, which had been approved by the conference on 20th February, 1914, were submitted.

Communication from County Clerk Stirling.

Sir Thomas Munro submitted a letter from Mr. Learmonth, County Clerk of Stirlingshire, intimating that his Standing Joint-Committee had decided that the scale of pay proposed by the conference was one which they could not adopt, and that, as they could no longer delay dealing with the petition from the members of their own force, they had adjusted a scale of pay for submission to the County Council and Secretary for Scotland for approval, of which scale he enclosed a copy. Mr. Learmonth also stated that in the circumstances it would be useless for him or other representatives of Stirlingshire to attend further meetings of the conference.

Alternative scales.

The committee then took up the remit to them from the last meeting of the conference, to reconsider certain details of the scale previously framed, and also to frame alternative scales to meet the cases of counties which might not be able to see their way to accept the scale originally recommended. In this connection Sir Thomas Munro reported that the question of alternative scales had been engaging the attention of the Scottish Office, and that he had been favoured with a copy of a set of four alternative scales prepared by Major Ferguson. The first of these scales was practically identical with the scale proposed by the conference, while the other scales were graded uniformly downwards from the first scale.

The committee, having considered these scales carefully, were of opinion that, subject to the maximum allowance to Deputy Chief Constables being increased to £50, to the insertion of an additional rate of pay for constables after 15 years' service, and to the addition at the end of the scales of the uniform table of allowances recommended by the committee, these scales would meet generally the various circumstances of Scottish County Police Authorities. It was agreed, however, in addition to the four scales, to have a further special scale on a higher grade, to meet the case of Police Authorities who do not give any allowance for house rents. The set of five scales, as adjusted by the committee, forms an Appendix to this minute.

Next meeting of conference

It was decided that the next meeting of the conference should be held in Edinburgh, and that, meantime, a print of the scales should be sent to each of the Police Authorities for their consideration.

Grant in aid of police pay.

It was also agreed that, at the next meeting of the conference, attention should be drawn to the present system of allocating the police grant, under which no grant was given in respect of lodging allowances, the consequence being that city and other forces who give no lodging allowances, but pay higher wages, rank on the grant for their whole outlay, to the prejudice of the authorities who do give lodging allowances.

Destination of fines.

It was also agreed to draw attention to the difference in the destination of fines recovered in burghs and counties, many of the fines which in counties go to the Exchequer being in burghs payable into the Police Fund.

APPENDIX.

I.—ALTERNATIVE SCALES SUGGESTED FOR ADOPTION BY POLICE AUTHORITIES WHO GIVE ALLOWANCES FOR HOUSE RENT OR LODGINGS.

CONSTABLES—	I.	II.	III.	IV.
Probationer, ...	26/3	25/1	23/11	—
3rd Class, ...	27/5	26/3	25/1	23/11
2nd Class, ...	28/7	27/5	26/3	25/1
1st Class—				
On appointment, ...	29/9	28/7	27/5	26/3
After 2 years, ...	30/11	29/9	28/7	27/5
„ 4 „ ...	32/1	30/11	29/9	28/7
„ 6 „ ...	33/3	32/1	30/11	29/9
„ 8 „ ...	34/5	33/3	32/1	30/11
„ 10 „ ...	35/7	34/5	33/3	32/1
„ 15 „ ...	36/9	35/7	34/5	33/3

SERGEANTS—	I.	II.	III.	IV.
On appointment, ...	37/11	36/9	35/7	34/5
After 2 years, ...	39/1	37/11	36/9	35/7
„ 4 „ ...	40/3	39/1	37/11	36/9
„ 6 „ ...	41/5	40/3	39/1	37/11
„ 8 „ ...	42/7	41/5	40/3	39/1
„ 10 „ ...	43/9	42/7	41/5	40/3

INSPECTORS—	I.	II.	III.	IV.
On appointment, ...	£120	£115	£110	£105
After 2 years, ...	125	120	115	110
„ 4 „ ...	130	125	120	115
„ 6 „ ...	135	130	125	120
„ 8 „ ...	140	135	130	125
„ 10 „ ...	150	140	135	130

SUPERINTENDENTS—	I.	II.	III.	IV.
On appointment, ...	£190	£160	£140	£120
After 2 years, ...	205	170	150	130
„ 4 „ ...	220	180	160	140
„ 6 „ ...	235	190	170	150
„ 8 „ ...	250	200	180	160
„ 10 „ ...	265	210	190	170

DEPUTY CHIEF CONSTABLE—

Extra pay, not to exceed £50 per annum.

A Merit Class to be formed, the number of which class should not at any time exceed 10 per cent. of the total number of the force. When admitted to this class the rate of pay of Sergeants to be increased by 2s. per week, and of Constables by 1s. per week, respectively, during the whole term of their service in those grades. provided their conduct remained satisfactory.

House Rents—	Per week.
Superintendents, ...	5s. 0d.
Inspectors, ...	3s. 0d.
Sergeants, ...	2s. 0d.
Married Constables, ...	1s. 6d.
Single Constables, ...	Nil.

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Allowances (lodging)—
Unmarried men, ... 1s. 6d

Subsistence—
As at present in each county.

Allowance on special duty—
As at present in each county.

Holidays—
As at present in each county.

II.—SCALE SUGGESTED FOR ADOPTION BY POLICE AUTHORITIES WHO GIVE NO ALLOWANCES FOR HOUSE RENT OR LODGINGS.

CONSTABLES—

3rd Class, ...	27/5
2nd Class, after six months' service and otherwise eligible,	28/7
1st Class, after eighteen months' service, on his being certified by his Superintendent, after examination, to have a good knowledge of police duties and to be otherwise a trained and efficient Constable, ...	29/9
After 3½ years' approved service, ...	30/11
After 5½ years' service, ...	32/1
After 7 years' service, ...	34/5
After 8½ years' service, ...	35/7
After 10 years' service, ...	37/4

SERGEANTS—

On appointment, ...	39/1
After 1 year's approved service, ...	40/3
„ 2 „	42/-
„ 3 „	43/2
„ 5 „	44/4

INSPECTORS—

On appointment, ...	£125
After 2 years' approved service, ...	130
„ 4 „	140
„ 6 „	156

LIEUTENANTS—

On appointment, ...	£160
After 1 years' approved service, ...	170
„ 2 „	180
„ 3 „	190
„ 5 „	200
„ 7 „	207

SUPERINTENDENTS—

On appointment, ...	£232
After 2 years' approved service, ...	252
„ 4 „	272
„ 6 „	292
„ 8 „	312
„ 10 „	332
„ 12 „	352

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